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The Canadian Departmental Stores, Limited, a recent consolidation of 22 department stores, located in the principal cities in Ontario and Quebec, announce their board of directors. This directorate, composed of outstanding business and financial men, will be as follows:—

Mr. G. H. Rennie, President, and who is to be the general manager, and who for the past several years has been Assistant General Manager of the Robert Simpson Company, Limited, of Toronto; Wm. Filavelle, President Victoria Loan & Savings Co., Ltd.; Duncan Ferguson, President Duncan Ferguson Co., Limited; E. J. Coles, President, E. J. Coles Co., Ltd.; Chas. Austin, President Chas. Austin Co., Ltd.; H. B. Bristol, President, A. Bristol & Son, Ltd., George Wright, President Robert Wright, Ltd.; J. C. Engel, President, H. H. Engel, Limited; W. E. F. Bryans, President, Bryans Limited; J. W. Robinson, President, Robinson Co., Ltd.; James Ogilvie, President Ogilvie-Lochead, Ltd.; A. A. Fournier, President A. A. Fournier, Ltd.; R. A. Bremner, President, Beamist & Smith, Ltd.; P. A. Huntington, President Huntington's, Limited; W. C. Greenman, President, Cressman, Co., Limited; A. Robinson, President, Maclaren Co., Ltd.; G. Matthews, President, I. L. Matthews Co.; F. M. Stafford, President, F. M. Stafford, Ltd.; James Smith, Fenton & Smith, Ltd.; W. Pratt, President, T. H. Pratt, Ltd.; T. A. Neely, Director, Montreal hail & Water Terminal, Ltd., Director of Municipal Bankers Corp., Ltd.; D. W. Gordon, director of Municipal Bankers Corp., Ltd., Manager of Canadian Rail & Harbor Terminals, Limited.

The consolidated business experience of these men, who are responsible for the profitable operation of their business in various cities augers well for the success of this consolidation.

The stores entering the consolidation are located in the following cities and towns: Belleville, Stratford, Woodstock, Chatham, Picton, Brockville, Lindsay, Hoover, Sons, Ltd., Napanee, Brantford, Ottawa, North Bay, Midland, Peterboro, Huntsville, Carleton Place, Parry Sound, Montreal, Sudbury, Pembroke, and Hamilton.

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The Canadian Department Stores, Limited, will be the first chain of dry goods stores to operate in Ontario and have the advantages previously mentioned of acquiring business long established and successfully operated.

DECLARATION OF DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP.

County of Lennox and Addington.

I, Sam Y. Lee, formerly a member of the firm carrying on business as a steam laundry, at the Town of Napanee, in the County of Lennox and Addington, under the name of "Grand Cafe" do hereby certify that said partnership was, on the fourteenth day of February, 1927, dissolved, the co-partnership and partnership was on the fourteenth day of February, 1927, dissolved, the co-partnership and partnership so dissolved being, Ling Lee, Sam Y. Lee and Kok Lim.

Witness my hand, at Napanee, this sixteenth day of February, 1927.

SAM Y. LEE.

Signed in the presence of me, at the Town of Napanee, in the County of Lennox and Addington, this sixteenth day of February, A.D., 1927.

T. B. GERMAN, A Notary Public.

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CREDIT SALE.

There will be offered for sale by Public Auction on Tuesday, March 22nd, 1927, commencing at the hour of 10 o'clock a.m., the farm stock and farming implements including one automobile, tractor, quantity of hay and seed grain, and a general list of farming utensils and equipments, being the property of the late Wm. Scott, to the estate of the late W. G. Schell, which sale will take place at the farm now or lately formerly owned and occupied by the said W. G. Schell, deceased, being lot number twenty-two in the third concession of the Township of Fredericksburgh, situate about one half mile east of Hildritch's blacksmith shop, Hamburg.

Ladies will serve lunch at 12 o'clock or any other hour of the day, at 15c. each.

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ERINSVILLE.

Roaddmaster James McEwan, has several teams banking gravel to repair the roads in the spring.

On Friday evening of last week, a very enjoyable social evening was held in the parish hall. Over a hundred couples were present, some were dancing, while others played euchre. About twenty tables indulged in progressive euchre and all played their best to win the worthwhile prizes. The ladies first prize was won by Jack Mahar, Marlbank, who played as a lady. The gentleman's first prize was won by Jas. Byrnes. The second prizes were awarded to Mrs. R. Brougham and Michael Barrett. At midnight a dainty luncheon was served and all were delighted with the evening.

Vince Byrnes, formerly from here, but now of Saskatoon, came east last week bringing a carload of horses, consisting of twenty very fine animals.

Mr. Thos. Keegan ,an aged resident, is seriously ill.

Chimneys, mantles and all supplies for Aladdin lamps, at Wallace's, Napanee Agents.

ROBLIN.

The Young People will present their comedy, "Mrs. Briggs of the Poultry Yard," on Friday evening, March 11th, at 8 p.m. This promises to be the best treat of the season and they are expecting a record crowd. Two hours, of clean, wholesome fun and specialties for twenty-five cents, children fifteen. Come and bring your friends.

Mr. Peter Hart spent last week-end in Kingston.

Mr. R. Meyers, Napanee, spent a few days of last week with his daughter, Mrs. Volney Woods.

Mr. H. R. Paul spent last Monday in Toronto.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Teskey and son, Bert, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Paul.

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NOTICE OF MEETING

THE COUNTY COUNCIL

of Lennox and Addington, at call of the Warden, will meet at the Council Chamber, in the Court House, NAPANEE, on

TUESDAY, MARCH 15th, 1927 at 2 p. m.

All accounts must be in the hands of the undersigned not later than Wednesday, Mar. 16th, in order that they may be considered.

W. G. WILSON, County Clerk

Dated March 1st, 1927. 16-b

NAPANEE PUBLIC SCHOOLS

REPORT FOR JANUARY AND FEBRUARY.

Pupils examined in Arithmetic, History and Geography.

A—40% of each subject and 75% of total.

B—40% of each subject and 60% of total.

C—Less than 40% in a subject or 60% of total.

Names marked * absent for one or more examinations.

SR. IV.

A—Mary Galbraith, Mary Merriam, Jack Archer, Margaret Denison.

B—Bobbie Miller, Fraser Fellows and Dorothy Coakwell equal; Helen Lucas and Marion Reddick equal; Dorothy Hagan, Burleigh Mills, Mary Irvine, Gladys Clark and Alice Knox, equal; Helen Harrigan, Margaret Walters, Arthur Thompson, Eyvel Loucks, Roy Wilson, Mary Stinson, Ethel Fox, Eula Joy and Lillian Walters, equal.

C—Ward Benn, Mildred Richardson, Laurena VanLuven, John Baird, Bessie Denny, Denny Davy, Edward Loucks, June McDonald, Hilda McGraw, June Thompson, Albert Howe, Nevine Johnston Zetta Kellar and Jack Holder, equal; Wilber Hart, Colborne Harrington, J. Thompson, Edwin Fitchett, *Phoebe Ford.

JR. IV.

A—B. Milsap.

B—Ella Fletcher, H. Savage.

C—G. Howitt, *F. Manion, O. Barragher, L. Fraser, J. LeMaistre, C. Chambers, M. Archer, J. Garrett, M. Evans, J. Hawley, M. Roney, B. Webb, C. Plumley, A. Walters, E. Thompson, E. Jennings, A. Kellar, E. Garrison, B. Vaulkman, M. McMillan and W. Howitt, equal; E. Fox, D. Emery, I. R. Paul spent last Monday in Toronto.

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bride, Dorothy Murphy, Mary Kimmerly, Marilyn Benn, Leonore Valkman.

B. Group Beginners—Edgar Hearns, Madge White, Charlie Conrad, Marion VanVolkenburg, Audrey McMillan, Bruce Turner, Florence Kellar, Gladys Leary, Joe Fretts, Joe Wheeler, Maude Hallock, Harold Martin, *Bobbie Smith.

Senior Primer.

Dorothy Markle, Jean Edgar, (Marguerite Carry, Jean Gibbard and Louise Black, equal); (Marion Roney, Harold Matthews and Eileen Seymour, equal; Freddy Cassan, Anna Wilson and Gordon Gilbride, equal); (Clarence Butcher and Helen Bayes, equal); Paul Archer, Ruth Miller, Doreland Barrager, Betty Cornwell, Mabel Markle, (Alastair Ker and Edgar Graham, equal); Rupert Merriam, Billy Baker, Mary Buchanan, Kenneth Moore, Eilena Poste, Douglas Kendell, Russell Thompson, Eva McFarlane.

Junior Primer.

Marion Root and Howard O'Connor, equal; Jack Willoughby, Ethel Morgan, Dorothy Walker, Doris Rendell, Jack Holmes, Betty Huffman, Helen Young, Perry Pyke.

EAST WARD

SR. II.

A—H. Henderson, E. Madden, B.—J. Stinson, K. Lapointe, D. Milsap, Lillie Lasher, I. Stevenson, J. Vine.

C.—Lyle Lasher, H. Madden, N. Waitson.

JR. II.

B.—G. Millar, G. Joy, H. Deschane.

C.—E. Young and D. Stinson, equal; J. Conger, F. Barrett, B. Storms, *P. Culhane, F. Huffman.

First Class.

A.—B. Lasher.

B.—E. Bowyer, J. Huyck, S. Gilbert, R. Campsom, F. Thompson.

C.—P. J./Lapointe, E. Fox, J. Sova, *D. Pumpkins, Paul Babcock, F. Waitson, M. Fox, *M. Conger, *M. Green.

Senior Primary.

Brude Norris, Dorothy Reid, Jean Thompson, Bobbie Russell, Harold Babcock, Isabelle Stevenson, Janet Lucas, Bessie Asselstine, Homen, Vine, Douglas Meyers, Lorna Ford, Dorothy Thompson, Isabelle Norris, Edwin Fox, Miles Vine, Georgina Slater, Jessie Wagar, Phyllis Denison, Billy Waitson, Nellie Green, Olga Culhane.

Intermediate Primary.

Ralph Lucas, John Russell, Audrey Lucas, Mary Conger, Gertrude Thompson, Margaret Baldwin, Alice Harmer, Louise Babcock, Doris McCabe, Carl Baldwin, Jessie Green, Lottie Green, Burton Knight, Daniel Lloyd, Bernice Wagar.

Junior Primary.

Rosalind Mowers, Billy Moore, Lillian Fox, Vincent Fox, Clare Millar, Clifford Millar, Bobbie Asselstine, Ethel Asselstine, Marion Lasher, Stuart Storms, Margaret Waitson, Helen Moore, H. Navin.

NAPANEE BRANCH V. O. N.

The Order acknowledges, with thanks, the payment of $30.00 from the Board of Education.

Report of the V.O.N., Feb., 1927

This month 10 new cases were registered, 3 medical, 1 surgical, 1 prenatal, 2 obstetrical, and 3 infants.

The nursing visits numbered 38; the non-nursing and educational visits 97.

The total number of visits paid was 135.

Fees collected from patients ..... $ 25.75

Fees collected from Metropolitan Co. 12.75

Total ..... $ 38.50

Clinic Work.

Nine new cases were registered at the clinic. Three clinics were held, and the total attendance was 53. Nine visits were paid to clinic babies in their homes.

School Work.

16 visits were paid to the schools, and 35 hours were spent in school work. 205 children were inspected, and 123 weighed. 3 defects were corrected, 56 minor treatments given, and 6 classroom talks. 9 cases directly ed that he could not break away referred to own physician. 8 referred to Health Officer and 2 excluded. Visits were paid to children's homes.

C. LAMBERT,
Nurse in Charge.

The Convener of the Relief Committee reported 58 helped since last meeting.

The Relief Committee wishes to thank the Beaver Santa Claus for their very kind offer, re balance of funds in their hands.

The Relief Committee also acknowledges receipt of wearing apparel.

ILA CREIGHTON, Secretary.

COMING :-: EVENTS

THE WOMEN'S INSTITUTE invites you to a lecture in the Historical Hall, Friday evening, March 11th.

ST. ANDREWS UNITED CHURCH are having their famous Irish Stew on St. Patrick's Day, March 17th, at 6 p.m. Tickets 50c.

CONCERT AND PLAY ON Thursday evening, March 10th, in Grace Church Sunday School room, under the auspices of the Helping Hand Bible Class. The concert will consist of monologues, musical reading, solo, Orchestra and Xylophone numbers, ending with a one act play, "One Sweetheart for Two." Admission 25c. and 15c.

HOCKEY

DESERONTO 6 : OSHAWA 3.

Staging a strong offensive in the second period, which netted them three goals, Deseronto High School pulled down a three goal lead and entered the final period on even terms with Oshawa for the Interscholastic Championship of Ontario, at the Napanee arena on Friday night. For a team to come from behind like the Deseronto school boys, and play hockey until they were exhausted from their efforts, is nothing short of marvellous.

Oshawa gained a three goal lead in Oshawa, and right after the first period had started, made another goal and the crowd almost gave up hope of Deseronto overcoming the lead. But they never gave up trying and they skated and back-checked until in the final minutes of the game, the players lay exhausted on the ice. With the round tied up and only seconds to go, Deseronto played with as much pep as they displayed in the early part of the game when they were fresh.

It was a wonderful exhibition of hockey and the game fight of the Deseronto lads pleased not only their large crowd of supporters, but every red blooded spectator on the rink.

Deseronto set the pace right from the face off and kept it up all the way through the entire game, and it got the desired results, which are goals.

Going into the final period on even terms, after ten minutes had elapsed, Deseronto scored and still they kept up the continual bombardment. With only four minutes left, they made one fatal mistake of not laying back and shooting the puck up the ice. Oshawa broke up the Deseronto rush and came down to the blue line and let drive a wicked shot. McVicker stopped the shot with his stick and batted the puck in the air and right over his shoulder into the net. This was a tough break and the large crowd groaned. Had McVicker not attempted to block the shot it would sailed safely past the goal. That is one of the breaks that go with the game.

Oshawa is a mighty sweet team, but they never had a look in and the back checking of the Deseronto forwards, Whelton, Bowyer and Jeffer, broke up many of their attacks before they could get properly going. It disorganized the Oshawa team and in the second period it was plainly seen that this persistent checking had the effect and Deseronto scored three goals in quick succession to even up the game.

Deseronto had splendid team support, and their town must have looked like the deserted village from the crowd that accompanied them down to Napanee on Friday evening. Even the veteran police constable, Alex Wilkes, must have decided it was perfectly safe to lock up the town for the evening, as he was at the arena cheering for all he might for a Deseronto victory. Fully three hundred Deserontonians accompanied their team in every sort of conveyance. It was the largest crowd that has ever witnessed a game in the Napanee rink. Every available inch of space was occupied, and the crowd was well rewarded with a great game.

Woodin Deseronto tied the score on the round in the second period the crowd went wild. Hal Wood's terrific drive from the point must have shaken the rafters of the building. And then when they scored the winning goal the crowd went crazy with delight. They urged their team to hold the lead, and when Deseronto scored a rather dukey goal, there was a groan. McVicker cannot be blamed for letting in the goal, it was a hard shot to handle and all during the game his work between the posts was sensational. He captured them from all sides and even after his defense in front of him had broken down and allowed the puck carriers to come through, he outguessed them.

The Oshawa net minder was good too, scored six goals beat him he stopped many more that had all the ear marks of goals. Rowdin was the best for Oshawa, playing a consistently effective game. Altogether it was a game that will long be remembered by those who witnessed it. Deseronto has the edge on a ready right now for Junior O.H.A. and could more than hold their own in any junior company in the province. This game makes it necessary to play a third game on neutral ice, which will be Port Hope on Tuesday night.

KIMMERLY'S MARCH SPECIALS

Easifirst Shortening, per lb..	15c.
20 Bars Pearl White Naptha Soap.....	95c.
5 pkgs. Lux.....	49c.
1 lb. green or black Tea.....	50c.
3 pkgs. Corn Starch.....	25c.
6 lbs. Epsom Salts or Soda.....	25c.
5 lb. pail Honey.....	60c.
5 lb. pail Corn syrup.....	35c.
Flour, per cwt.....	$4.10
5 string Broom.....	39c.
All Corn Flakes, per pkg.....	10c.
4 lb. Chase and Sanborn Coffee	55c.
4 tins Sardines.....	25c.
2 tins French Peas.....	25c.
2 tins Ginger Snaps.....	25c.

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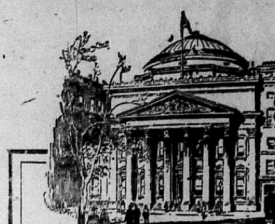
Govt tested Alfalfa and Sweet Clover at lowest prices.

Highest price paid for Muskrats. 15-ap



Head Office, Montreal

BANK OF MONTREAL

Established 1817

ASSETS and LIABILITIES

31st January, 1927

ASSETS	
Cash on hand	$ 80,198,268.94
Deposits with and notes and cheques of other Banks	45,426,911.24
Deposit with Central Gold Reserve	12,000,000.00
Call and Short loans on Bonds, Debentures and Stocks	172,784,147.52
Dominion and Provincial Government Securities	78,319,891.45
Canadian Municipal Securities and British, Foreign and Colonial Public Securities other than Canadian	27,678,689.32
Railway and other Bonds, Debentures and Stocks	4,179,211.09
Quick Assets	$420,587,119.56
Loans and Discounts and other Assets	328,087,758.70
Bank Premises	11,800,000.00
Liabilities of customers under letters of credit (as per contra)	12,237,992.47
Total Assets	$772,712,870.73

LIABILITIES TO PUBLIC	
Notes in circulation	41,505,531.00
Deposits	642,947,383.20
Letters of credit outstanding	12,237,992.47
Other liabilities	12,028,285.08
Total Liabilities to Public	$ 708,719,191.75
Excess of Assets over Liabilities to Public	$ 63,993,678.98

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

BY G. C. TRUMBULL,
(Editor of The Sunday School Times.)

MAKING THE WORLD CHRISTIAN.

Sunday, March 13—Matt. 28: 16-20; Acts 1: 7-8.

Golden Text—"Go ye, therefore, and make disciples of all nations." (Matt. 28: 19).

These are the words that constituted what has been called the Great Commission of the Church. They are the marching orders of the Christian given by our beloved Lord to His disciples following His resurrection. They are orders that have never been rescinded. It is well to remember that. When the General in an earthly army issues a command the order stands until it is repealed. The command of the Lord is still binding upon His disciples. He will say to them "Go." Sometimes Christians profess to be troubled as to whether Christ has called them to be missionaries or not. There need be no difficulty about that question. The Christian who is not a missionary with the zeal and the desire in his heart to send the glorious Gospel to the farthest parts of the earth is a living contradiction to the faith he professes. Christ has called all His followers to be missionaries; though whether one should serve on the foreign field or at home must be prayerfully decided by the individual. It was a well-known evangelist whom the writer once heard say, when speaking upon this subject, that the difficulty facing Christians should not be to decide whether or not they were called to serve on the foreign field, but whether or not they were called to stay at home. The call has already been given: "Go ye into all the world, and make disciples of all nations."

The task before the Church, the task to which all her energies should be directed, is the fulfilling of this last command of her Lord's. To "make the world Christian" is an expression that is not found in the Bible. If it were, the missionary might well despair. The work of the Church during the present age is to preach the Gospel of the Good ews to all nations, to gather out of all nations "a people for His name." (Acts 15: 14). A Christian world is never the end that is held out as the preaching of the Gospel at the present time, and the experience of 2,000 years of Church and missionary work confirms it. Some will hear, and some forbear to hear. But the work goes on, and the Gospel as a witness is being declared abroad throughout the whole earth.

It is well to have this view or one might well despair of the power of the Gospel. There is no lack of power in the Gospel any more than there is lack of power in the Saviour it tells of, but if men will not believe, if they will not see and will not accept the Saviour who can save, and heal, and keep, and bless, they will die in their sins. This does not mean that the Gospel has failed, but simply that some people fail to accept it. Scholars in the school should be impressed with this fact. Impress upon them that this fact should solemnize and energize all our service, to think that there is not one country, one city, one village in all the world that can be said to be entirely Christian. In many Christian lands today there is a great declension from the faith of the Gospel. What Paul calls "another Gospel" which is not the Gospel is being preached, at thousands are being led astray.

In view of these conditions it is more than necessary today that the missionary spirit should burn brightly in every heart that professes allegiance to Jesus Christ. The opportunities abound for service, for witnessing a good confession for Him, and for leading others to Him.

Point out to the scholars the utter impossibility of doing the work of Christ except in Christ's way. When the disciples were commanded to go and preach the Gospel they were also commanded to tarry in Jerusalem until they should receive the power from on High. Nothing else than this will avail today. A missionary without that Divine power is a powerless missionary, however fine his physical and intellectual equipment may be. It is not by might, nor by power, but by the Spirit of God working through us that men are won to Christ.

It is well to emphasize the fact that, wherever Christ sends us, at home or abroad, if we are truly surrendered to His will, that is the very best place in the world for us. He will never send one of His children to do His work, but that He will grant the power to accomplish it, and open all doors in His time. Have them to think of the remainder of His verse. "Lo, I am with you all the days, even unto the end of the age." What a glorious promise! The Lord Jesus Himself abiding with us, saving guiding, keeping, blessing through all the years, until He comes again, or we stand before Him face to face and hear His "Well done." All that we can possibly endure for His sake here will appear as nothing then.

(Tuesday evenings at 7.30 o'clock Mr. Trumbull broadcasts a fuller teaching of the International Uniform Sunday School lessons from Station WRAX, Philadelphia, wave length 268 meters).

Output of Diamonds Limited.

The output of diamonds is to be limited by the South African Government, in order to prevent the market from being gutted. Prospectors in recent diamond rushes have found so many stones that the diamond syndicates are seriously alarmed.

Grain Elevator for Sarnia. Ont.

Industrial interests are planning to erect a million bushel grain elevator at Sarnia, Ont., at a cost of half a million dollars.

Alberta Coal.

Alberta produced 3,117,000 tons of coal during 1926.

TRADING PORTS FEAR BOYCOTT BY CHINESE—NOT A MASSACRE

By. CHALES P. STEWART.

(Exclusive Central Press Dispatch to Napanee Express.

Washington, March 7.—When they read accounts of their home newspapers of supposed physical danger to foreigners in China's "treaty ports," the residents of these Occidental trading posts in the Far East only laugh.

They look for no attack from outside their boundaries, and even if one should occur, know themselves to be amply equipped to stand it off, at least until relieved. They are equally certain of the ability of their foreign police to suppress any possible disturbance by irresponsible natives inside the "settlements."

The British, to be sure are described as having been dispossessed of their "concession" at Hankow. The fact is that they surrendered it as an act of policy. They could easily have held it forcibly, had they pleased.

Violence is not what any sensible foreigner in China fears, but at the first hint of a Chinese anti-foreign boycott, such as there have been suggestions of recently, he turns pale.

The foreigner, after all, is in China for just one thing—trade.

Let his trade fall flat—let the Chinese refuse to deal with him on any terms—to work for him, to sell to him or to buy his goods —and he's ruined.

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The Chinese have reduced the boycott to an almost exact science.

There is, for one thing, a wonderful degree of solidarity among them, partly voluntary and partly enforced, under penalty of death. It is not a legally inflicted penalty. Even in China, offenders sometimes escape the penalties decreed by law, but they very rarely escape execution of the sentence imposed by the great guilds.

Every Chinese, from the beggars up to the powerful groups of Shansi bankers, belongs to a guild. Let his guild adopt a policy and if its last member sticks to it to the last gasp.

A Chinese boycott of any foreign country's products usually begins with the "compradores" guild.

The term "comprador" probably was borrowed from the Portuguese at Macco—"emprar," to buy—"comprador," buyer.

Few decidentals ever acquire a sufficient acquaintance with the mass of Chinese to deal with them direct. A native intermediary is required. This is the "comprador," who is by no means exclusively a buyer, but combines the functions of a sales manager and credit man. Every important foreign house has one—an individual of importance and sometimes a partner.

Once let the "compradores" guild ban any line of merchandise, and sales in that line stop, to the final cent.

It's no use to change "compradores." A boycott is the work of no single "comprador," but of the guild. The individual "comprador" affected may object to it, but his life's at stake.

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Japan had an experience with a Chinese boycott a number of years ago, and as a sequel to emulation by the Tokyo government of its then much-talked-of "21 points"—in effect an ultimatum to Peking.

China was not in a position to resist by force of arms, but the Chinese tackle proved to buy Japanese goods. There was no formal announcement of a boycott, so far as the Japanese could learn, and they tried hard to find out, in order to bring pressure to have it called off, but what they had to sell, they couldn't buy.

Tokyo warned and bullied and threatened reprisals, but what could there do? Japanese goods could be landed, under the muzles of cannon, but not one bolt of calico could the Japanese sell.

It was impossible to fight anything so intangible, so the "21 points" were quietly dropped. Then orders began to come in again.

This is the kind of Chinese nationalism that the "treaty ports" can't stand. Threats of a massacre leave the Oriental trader at Shanghai or Tientsin or Hankow cold, but the first mention of an impending native boycott he's ready to cave in.

THE HOLY LAND.

Modern Methods Are Making Headway In Palestine.

Palestine or the Holy Land, the Land of Canaan of early times, extends from the Mediterranean Sea westward to the River Jordan and the Dead Sea, and from the Egyptian frontier on the south to the French Mandatory Sphere of the Great Lebanon Mountains on the north. The area of Palestine west of the Jordan is about 9,000 square miles, which is equal to about one-third of the area of New Brunswick.

Although economic conditions in Palestine are still primitive, modern methods are making headway, and there are good prospects of development and progress. The country is generally fertile, and cereals, grapes, olives and various fruits are produced, while sheep and goats thrive in the lowlands, and in the mountains in time of drought.

An Oriel Window.

An Oriel window is an upper-storey window with two or more sides which stand out from the face of the wall, leaving a recess or "oriel" in the room within. The window is supported by brackets or corbels, and such windows add much to the grace of the buildings of the type built during the time of Queen Elizabeth. The name is seldom applied to windows of the ground floor.

Helium.

Helium is a gas present in the air in minute quantities. It is about twice as dense as hydrogen, and is slow to combine with other elements. It is present in the waters of most mineral springs.

Who are the firms MOST ALIVE

That is the question every good buyer asks himself before establishing a new connection. Other things being equal, his answer is, "The firms that are most alert to solicit business and fill orders."

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THE DEATH GAS WILL GET YOU IF YOU DON'T WATCH OUT

BY ERWIN GREER
(President Greer College of Automotive & Engineering trades, Chicago, Ill.)

"Motorist Found Dead in His Garage," runs a headline every so often in the winter newspapers. I have no pity for the man who has committed ignorant suicide in such a manner. He knew that a running motor pours out carbon monoxide fumes and closes the doors of his small garage just because the cold outside air caused him a few moments of inconvenience as he tuned his motor. Oh, well, he isn't here any more—and the other fellow should take advantage of his mistake and tune his motor in the open air. Or else.....

The terrible thing about carbon monoxide is that it may strike almost without warning. The victim may feel a dizziness or headache which he may ascribe to the effects of leaning over the engine, or violent exercise.

Following is the method advocated by the United States Bureau of Mines for cases of this sort. Every motorist should paste it on the door of his garage, if only to serve as a reminder of the danger of the motor's exhaust gas.

Yell until someone appears whom you can send for a doctor. Place the person on his abdomen; see that the tongue is forward; turn his head to one side and rest it on his forearm so that the nose and mouth will not come in contact with the ground. If the person is thin prepare a pad of folded clothing or blankets and place it under the lower part of his chest. Do not make this pad too thick. Do not wait to remove the victim's clothing, but begin artificial respiration without delay.

Kneel, straddling the person's thighs, and facing his head. Place the palms of your hands over the short ribs with your thumbs parallel with the spine, about two inches apart, and your fingers spread out as much as possible, the ends of the little fingers reaching just below the last rib.

With arms held straight, swing forward slowly, so that the weight of your body is gradually brought to bear on the person. This operation should not be violent lest the internal organs be injured. The lower part of the chest and also the abdomen are also compressed, and the air is forced out of the lungs. Now, immediately swing back slowly to remove the pressure but leaving your hands in place. Through their elasticity, the patient's chest walls expand, and his lungs are thus supplied with fresh air. After two seconds swing forward again, and repeat deliberately about fifteen times a minute.

Repeat until the doctor appears

If you want results use the Classified Adv. Column in The Napanee Express.

Maritime Egg and Poultry Exchange.

A new concern called the Maritime Egg and Poultry Exchange, which will handle the products of twenty-three egg circles of the province, is to open a warehouse at Truro for the grading of eggs and marketing them through established trade channels. Dressed poultry will also be handled by the Exchange, which will be affiliated with the New Brunswick Egg and Poultry Exchange of St. John, N.B.

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POST ROYAL, JAMAICA

Record of Adventurous Spirits That Sailed the Spanish Main.

In the old buccaneering days few places bulked as largely as Port Royal, Jamaica, which was the report of all the adventurous spirits that sailed the Spanish Main. But perhaps not as well known is the fact that it was also closely identified with the growth of Britain's navy before there was an Empire; for the men who laid the foundation of Britain's greatness on the sea were trained to war and seamanship in the waters of which Port Royal was the home station, says a writer in the Sailor. It had also a connection with the great Nelson, and to-day at Port Charles, close by, there is a tablet with the inscription, "In this place dwelt Horatio Nelson. You, who tread his footprints, remember his glory."

But the glory of Port Royal is no more. It was on the 7th June, 1692, that an earthquake, as John Oliver La Gorce describes in the National Geographic Magazine, while the Council of the Island of Jamaica was in session, shook Port Royal "from turret to foundation stone." In the Council minutes describing the catastrophe it is reported that "in the space of two minutes two-thirds of Port Royal were swallowed up by the sea; all its forts and fortifications demolished, and a great part of its inhabitants miserably either 'knockt o' th' head or drowned'."

Admiral Sir Charles Hamilton related that in 1780 the submerged houses far below in the green depths were still discernible; and Lieut. Jeffrey, also of the Royal Navy, declared that, while surveying the channel between 1824 and 1835, he had repeatedly traced sites of houses.

In 1859 a diver, engaged to do underwater repairs to ships in Kingston harbor, made a series of descents over the old city, reporting that the roofs of many of the houses were still above the encroaching sands of the harbor floor, and remained perfect after the earthquake, though covered by many fathoms of clear water.

Tragic in the last degree is it to contemplate the vanishing of a place once so intimately associated with the stirring days when the world, as we know it now, was in the making. From the Swiftsure, Admiral Penn's flagship in the daring expedition that won the Island of Jamaica for Britain in 1655, to the Formidable, Lord Rodney's flagship of the fleet that confirmed the supremacy of British dominion in 1782, the record of the Port Royal station is a brilliant one. Rodney sailed from England to uphold the power of Britain against France and Spain. A few weeks after his sailing a message was despatched from Parliament commanding him not to fight. But fight he did and won before the message reached him. Thus was England mistress of the Carribean in spite of her orders that came too late.

On the 29th of April, 1782, Rodney returned to Port Royal with his fleet of nine pirzes, including de Grasse's flagship, Ville de Paris, on which he had as a prisoner of war that dedoubtable French sea fighter Admiral deGrasse himself. That huge vessel was the pride of Louis XV., and its flag had been lowered by de Grasse only when none but himself and a few seamen remained unwounded after a day's fighting.

It was after the second earthquake in 1692, followed by disasters of fire and hurricane, the people, fearing further revolt of mother earth, moved to the mainland and established Kingston.

Farm Eggs in Canada.

The production of farm eggs in Canada in 1926 is estimated at 237,080,399 dozen of the value of $66,198,285, as compared with 224,778,467 dozen of the value of $57,950,340 in 1925. The estimated production by provinces is as follows in order: Ontario, 90,628,530 dozen; Saskatchewan, 38,224,432; Quebec, 34,081,125; Alberta, 28,510,014; British Columbia, 17,112,770; Manitoba, 16,646,877; New Brunswick, 3,831,753; Nova Scotia, 3,881,657; Prince Edward Island, 3,709,115; Indian Reserves, 754,125.

Self-Owned Homes.

Further home statistics, issued by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics, show Stratford, Ont., with the highest per centage of self-owned homes (as a city) at 70 per cent. and Montreal on the lowest rung with 14.8 per cent. Westmount, however, part of Greater Montreal, has 51.7 per cent. home-owners. Barrie and Waterloo, Ont., and Portage la Prairie, Man., rank high at 66 per cent.

The Yukon Territory.

The population of the Yukon is only 4,500; it has an area of 207,076 square miles. The Territorial Council consists of three members, elected for three years by the electors of the three districts into which the Territory is divided. The Territory sends one member to the House of Commons.

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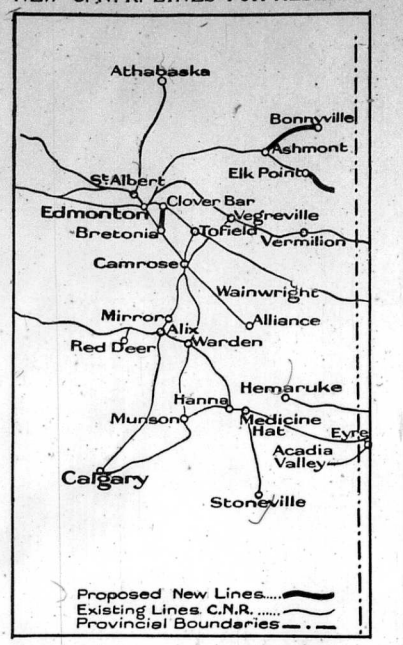

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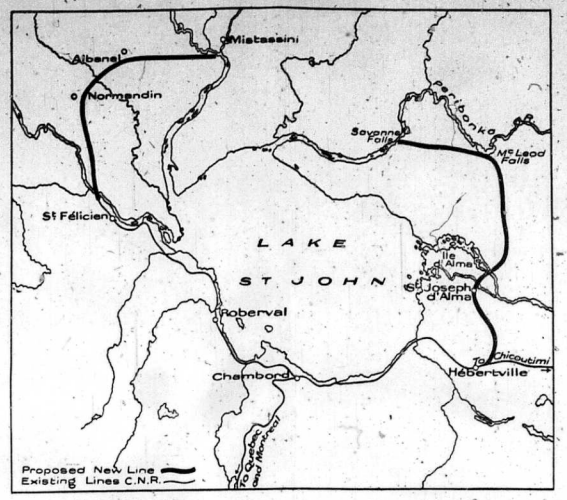

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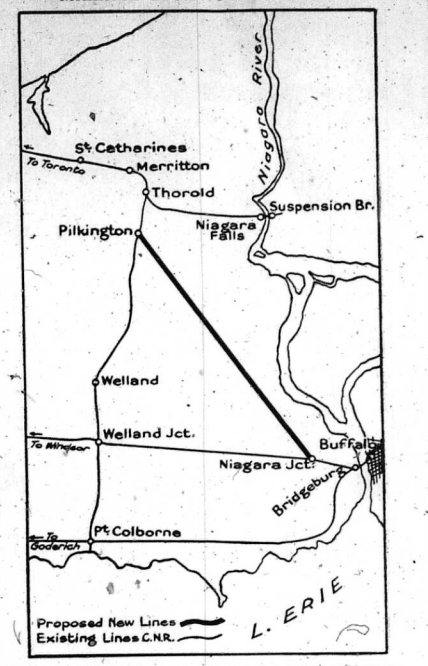

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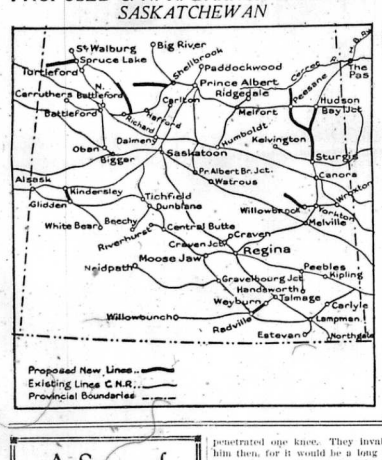

A Scrap of Paper

By GENEVIEVE ULMAR

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Roger Melville was proud of his home town as he returned to it after an absence of a year. He had been abroad on business—the business of demolishing mifferary and full well had he done his duty. Placed at once in active service, a bit of shrapnel had lodged in his chest, placing him on the hospital list for a month. Near Verdun, months later, a rifle ball had penetrated one knee. They invalided him then, for it would be a long time before he could walk without limping.

He limped now and progressed slowly as he left the train, arriving at Clinton five hours after the glorious news of victory and peace had reached the little hamlet. At any other time he might have become the center of attraction, for he had many friends in the town and reports of his bravery and medal award at the front had been duly noted in the local newspaper. Just now, however, the place had gone wild.

There was a reason for this. Just before going into the service his love for a certain young lady in the village, named Wanda Bond, had inspired him with mighty hope and longing. On the eve of making his declaration, with orders for departure to service pending, he was told by a friend that Miss Bond had become engaged to Ellis Thurston. An overheard reiteration of the information on the part of Thurston completely drove Roger from the field as a rival. He was glad to get away from the scene where his fondest hopes had been so rudely blasted. He had not heard from Wanda since. Now, returned, he could not repress the old interest and love in a girl who was the one and only ideal of his dreams.

"Is it an omen?" abruptly Roger questioned himself, and drew back into a sheltering doorway. Coming down the street in an automobile was the man who had robbed him of his love—Ellis Thurston. The latter was flushed and riotous of manner and voice. He was showering confetti on the crowds and uttering jubilant yells, the sham patriot he had ever been, for he had taken an advantage of a technicality to evade going into war service.

Clinton was soon ablaze with enthusiasm, copying metropolitan manners celebrant on a minor scale. Whistles shrieked, bells jingled, automobiles dashed along with strings of tin cans trailing behind. From office windows great masses of torn-up paper were cast adrift, filling the air and littering the street, and all the time, cooped up at home, just convalescing from an attack of the measles and therefore unable to join the roving groups downtown, little Millie and Esther, nieces of Wanda Bond, set about having a jubilation of their own on a home-made scale, but destined to solve the fate of two loving hearts that otherwise might have drifted apart forever.

Left alone with a servant they trimmed the porch with flags and bunting. They were forbidden to leave the yard, but fully enjoyed the infection of patriotic duty. A sight of whirling scraps of paper down the street suggested an idea. "Oh!" exclaimed Esther, why can't we make a snowstorm, too!"

"We can, we must," acquiesced Millie excitedly, and very soon they had gathered up all the old newspapers in the house, got up on the fence posts and shouted with glee as the brisk breeze added their quota to the litter that mottled the roadways.

"I know where there's a heap of old paper," declared Millie, as their initial supply was exhausted.

"Where—where," demanded her partner in mischief eagerly.

"In the attic. Aunt Wanda put a box of stuff from her desk up there yesterday," and thus it was in their heedless glee the two exiles from the public celebration made up for the deprivation by recklessly scattering to the winds the contents of a waste basket speedily pounced upon.

Roger Melville had meantime felt an irresistible impulse to stroll past the house of his beloved one. Twice he was baffled with the sheets and particles of paper sent adrift by reckless hands. An open four-page letter caught against his coat. His eye falling upon it, he looked with interest at a letter addressed to "Dear Friend Wanda," and it was signed by Estelle Mason, her closest friend.

It was of recent date and palpably one of a regular correspondence. His eyes glowed as he perused it. All thoughts of the propriety of reading the letter were as naught for the moment, as his thirsting soul drank in a rapture complete.

"I am glad you have given Ellis Thurston his quietus," it read. "Between a slacker and a hero there is no choice. Why don't you forget maidenly modesty and all that, and cheer up the man you love, fighting for his native country and very likely thinking of you as constantly as you of him? Dear, brave Roger! I really believe, dear girl, that some misconception sent him away without telling you how much he thought of you."

"Medals are something, the letter of commendation from my general is something greater," soliloquized Roger Melville joyously. "But this is more than all put together!"

And he pressed his lips to the letter that bore Estelle Mason's name, fully sanguine that he would eventually do the same thing to those of its owner!

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Recovering somewhat, he will observe rows of girls seated at long tables—piles of little tins in front of them—shovelling in pepper with small scoops. The atmosphere is saturated with pepper-dust. A fine cloud of it is suspended in the air. The girls wear mob-caps and overalls, and the grey-white dust is all over them.

Not one of them is sneezing. Nor are their eyes running. Wait a moment, though—there is a girl in the corner who appears to be in some discomfort. Her eyes are red, and she is holding a handkerchief over her nose and mouth. The manager explains that she has only been working a week.

When girls start work in this peppery atmosphere they are not expected to do much for the first few days. Most of the time is spent in sneezing and weeping, and the eyes become inflamed. After a week they are "broken in," and at the end of two weeks the pepper ceases to have any effect. At one time masks were provided for the workers, but they would not wear them. In no case has any ill-effect been experienced through the pepper-dust, and the general standard of health is high. Colds and infectious diseases are unknown, for the pepper acts as a powerful disinfectant.

Most of the tin-packing is done by machinery, but these girls are filling fancy containers. In another room quarter and half-pound tins are being filled by machinery, and although cafico sheets screen the machinery, there is still a fetching atmosphere.

In a small room we see a man with six little heaps of pepper in front of him. He "feels" the grain between his fingers. He smooths it out with a piece of cardboard, and looks critically at the color. Finally, he takes a pinch in his palm and sniffs it up his nose! But he does not sneeze. He is examining samples, and that is his method of testing the pungency.

PET PRIVATE HABITS

ROSITA FORBES SAYS IT IS ALL A MATTER OF LATITUDE.

Describes Customs of People Living In Different Countries — Cleanliness, Kisses, and Curls—Cleaning Nails a Sin—Forbidden Lips.

All our pet private habits are as much a matter of latitude as fashion or propriety, observes Rosita Forbes, noted traveller. Take washing, for instance. The Arab considers us extremely grubby because we don't wash our feet as well as our hands before each meal. We object because he does not wash his clothes.

I'm not certain the bath is not the source of most modern evils. The court ladies of Boccaccio, you remember, adopted a lovely village girl and made her Queen of Beauty. They bathed her in oils and scented waters until, we are told, "her body was like a sponge," and she ran away to avoid the peril of too much washing.

I once stayed in a little Greek hotel, where the proprietor was indignant when I demanded a bath. "I only cater for clean people," he said. The same request while I was living in a black and white tent in Raisuli's Moroccan camp, produced equal dismay. "A bath, what for?" asked my Arab attendants. Eventually they brought me a bowl about the size of a large coffee cup, filled with luke-warm water and some sprigs of mint.

A German cottager with whom I lodged assured me that baths were most dangerous. "When you must wash your hands and face, my child, use a little oil," he said. "It is much more cleansing."

In Japan an exquisitely clean lath-and-paper hotel provided no means of washing at all. Insistently, and in many languages, I demanded a bath. At last a smiling serving girl signified that my wish was fulfilled. She led me into an open court whose paper walls, I was convinced, were not nearly as blind as they appeared to be! In the centre was a hole, filled with dark and murky-looking water.

Very cautiously, I inserted one foot. Down, down it went. I took a firm grip of the edge. At last my toes touched something slimy and soft. With a squeak, I leaped out. The maid servant was puzzled. "I think the water was changed last year," she said, "but perhaps something else had fallen in!"

In the east, the holier you are the less washing you do. Sanctity might disappear in running water! A few years ago the yearly pilgrimage to Mecca took place in mid-August, when the temperature was about 110 Fahrenheit. On the pilgrim boat men, women and children had been huddled for three days, a square yard of deck space to each.

Twenty-four hours before landing we had to don the Ehram, a high-necked, long-sleeved shirt made of stiff, unbleached calico. It must not be removed for thirteen days, and during that period, when everyone is supposed to be feeling so virtuous that even the youngest woman may leave her face uncovered, no one may wash a finger-tip.

It is strictly improper to brush your hair or your teeth. Cleaning your nails is a sin, and flicking a fallen eye-lash from your cheek a crime. One night I could not bear the smell of the sweat-drenched garment any more. I tore it off in the seclusion of my room. "You will have to sacrifice a sheep to atone!" gasped my Egyptian maid, and surely sheep are too expensive to waste.

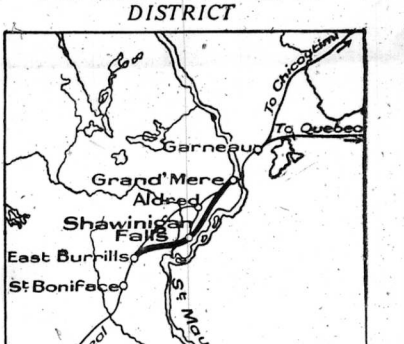
Kissing, like washing, is a habit in the west; a rite in the east. The Latins have made of it an art. In western Arabia the judge kisses the condemned criminal after pronouncing judgment.

Christian Abyssinia is as particular about its kisses as Moslem Arabia. An embrace is the regular greeting among friends, but it would be most improper for any woman to welcome her husband with a kiss. She must pretend not to notice his arrival—even after the longest absence—and she must never even touch his hand in public. Yet two men or two women meeting in the market will repetitively kiss each other's cheek—dozens of little swift kisses like a Maxim gun.

A servant kisses his master's cloak, a courtier the dust of his prince or the ground in front of it, a villager the staff of his priest. All the devout dismount before a church and kiss its doorstep, or even the stones of the surrounding wall. A man addressing a great lady will repeatedly kiss his own hand between the polite greetings he brings her.

Most things come from the east—fashion from Eden; proprieties from China, where first men veiled their women; plucked eyebrows from Arabia, where the girls drew a black line along their foreheads from nose to ear; Russian boots from the Hodja—where they are lemon-yellow under draperies sewn with bells; and shingling from Lesbia, where it was a punishment for a moral misdemeanor.

NEW CANADIAN NATIONAL LINE FOR SHAWINIGAN FALLS DISTRICT



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AW-AW, I— UH-IS HE REALLY HAVIN' SUCH A TOUGH TIME?
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RICHMOND MINUTES

Council met in town hall, at Selby.

The members were all present, the Reeve presiding.

The minutes of last meeting were read and adopted.

Moved by E. A. McQuaig, seconded by A. H. Oliver, that Pay List No. 1, Township Road Account, be paid, total $126.68, and cheques issued by Reeve and Clerk to various men on Pay Sheet. Carried.

Moved by A. H. Oliver, seconded by E. A. McQuaig, that the snow pay sheet, amounting to $55.90, be paid and cheques issued for various men on Pay Sheet. Carried.

Five tenders to furnish power to operate township machinery were received.

Moved by M. Dupre, seconded by E. McQuaig, that H. F. Pringle's tender to furnish power to operate township machinery, at $1.00 per hour, be accepted. Lost.

Moved by A. H. Oliver, seconded by C. Hartin, that a By-Law be introduced appointing Arthur Kimmett to furnish gas power to operate road machinery for 1927 at $1.20 per hour. Carried.

Moved by E. A. McQuaig, seconded by A. H. Oliver, that By-Law No. 456, be now read, receive its third reading, be signed, sealed and finally passed. Carried.

Moved by C. Hartin, seconded by M. Dupre that the following accounts be paid :

Amos Denison, 1 load wood, $6.00 ; Clerk's postage, $1.04 ; M. Windover, cutting wood, $1.00. Carried.

Council adjourned to meet on Tuesday, April 5th, 1927.

H. A. WOOD, Clerk.

ODESSA.

The Ladies' Aid Society met at the home of Mrs. S. J. Sprout on Wednesday afternoon last. There were thirty-five ladies present to enjoy their interesting meeting and lovely lunch.

Oswald Snider has returned from spending a few days with his sister, Mrs. Ernest Sharpe, at Toronto.

Mrs. Robert Cairns has returned from visiting her son, Harold Cairns, Windsor. She was accompanied by her daughter, Miss Ruth, who spent the winter months there.

Cecil Deyoes, of the Pedlar Roofing Company, Oshawa, spent last week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Horace Deyoes.

Miss Carrie Emmons and Miss Henry, Kingston, spent the week-end with the former's brother, Douglas Emmons.

Miss Helen Rooney, Belleville, spent last week-end the guest of Mrs. Elwell Emmons.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Smith and Mrs. James Smith, Parrott's Bay, spent Thursday the guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Byron Caton, Toronto, are visiting relatives and friends.

William Vrooman, Kingston, is visiting his son, Herman Vrooman.

Miss Alice Scott, has returned to her home in Bowmanville, after spending two weeks with her brother, J. L. Swift.

Almond Fraser, who has been visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Fraser, and other relatives has returned to his home in Calgary.

Hugh Mohan is visiting his sister, Mrs. Leo Lawlor, Philadelphia, N.Y.

The many friends of Mrs. J. L. Swift are delighted to hear that she has fully recovered from her recent illness.

The euchre and dance in the town hall on Friday evening last under the auspices of the Women's Institute, in aid of the public library, was a wonderful success. There were twenty-one tables of progressive euchre. The prizes were won by Mrs. Chas. Morrow, of Bath, and Mr. H. McEwen, of Cataraqui, and the lone hand prize was won by Clarence Thompson, Ernestown Station. Harvey Smith won the prize for selling the most tickets. After lunch the Odessa orchestra furnished excellent music, and the floor of the large hall was crowded to capacity with the pleasure-seekers until long after the usual morning hours. About one hundred dollars was taken at the door.

The sale of Mr. Wilbur Metzler's at his home last Thursday afternoon was largely attended by anxious buyers and farm implements and live stock brought the highest prices. Mr. Metzler contemplates leaving the farm in the near future.

The funeral of the late John Morrison was held last Thursday afternoon and was largely attended. Rev. I. C. McQuade officiated. There were many beautiful floral pieces which spoke of sympathy. The remains were placed in Wilton vault to be later interred in Wilton cemetery. The deceased was in his seventy-third year.

GRACE UNITED CHURCH

REV. W. P. WOODGER, B.A., Minister.

9.30—Class meeting.

10.30 a.m. and 7 p.m.—Public worship conducted by the pastor. Evening subject : "If I had Only one Sermon to Preach."

11.45 a.m.—Sunday School and Adult Classes.

Monday 7.30 p.m.—Young People's League.

Wednesday, 7.30 p.m.—Prayer meeting.

Visitors cordially invited to all services.

Homemakers and Homekeepers.

The Women's Institute announce an illustrated lecture on "Bacteria, Yeasts and Moulds in the Kitchen," by Dr. Reed, Professor of Bacteriology, Queen's University, in the Historical Hall, on Friday evening, March 11th, at 8 o'clock. Admission 25c. The public are cordially invited to take advantage of this instructive lecture by so splendid a speaker.

Trinity Anniversary.

Trinity Church held its 77th anniversary services on Sunday and Monday. Large congregations attended the two services on Sunday. The usual services in St. Andrews' and Grace churches were withdrawn for the occasion. Rev. T. E. Rolling, B.A., of Lindsay, was the special preacher. Special music was also given by the choir, assisted by Mr. Will Rockwell, Detroit, whose many Napanee friends were pleased to again hear him in the choir. The annual supper and concert on Monday evening, was also well attended, all arrangements being in charge of the men of the congregation. A special offering was asked for, which was fully met.

Very Sudden Death.

Citizens of Napanee, of all classes, were shocked on Sunday evening to learn of the sudden death of Mary Tilley, beloved wife of Walter S. Herrington, K.C. Mrs. Herrington has not been in the best of health for some time, but had been carrying on as usual without any intimation that the end was near. Mr. and Mrs. Herrington entertained some young friends at dinner and following the meal, Mrs. Herrington laid down up stairs, complaining of having indigestion. A couple of hours later her husband called her, but life had departed. Mrs. Herrington was an outstanding figure among the women of Napanee, in charitable and church work. As President of the W. A. of St. Mary Magdalene's Church, as director of the choir, and for her many charitable works she will be kindly remembered. The funeral takes place this (Tuesday) afternoon from her late residence, with services in St. Mary Magdalene Church at 3.30 p.m. Besides her husband, three children, Miss Helen Herrington, New York, Mrs. Ross Sneath, Boston, and Mr. Harold Herrington, Kingston, survive. A brother, Mr. Fred J. Tilley, lives in Toronto.

Annual Banquet.

The annual banquet of the Napanee Poultry Association took place Wednesday evening at the Paisley House. When the President of the Association ,Mr. J. Hayes, called the gathering to order he found an attendance that filled the seating capacity of the large dining room. The quality of the cuisine fully retained the already enviable reputation of mine host, Fitzpatrick. The musical program was prepared by Mrs. Powell with Mrs. McLaren, Miss McMillan and Miss Baughan assompanst, and it would be very difficult to say who have placed an entertainment more enjoyable before an audience. The speakers included the Mayor, Mr. Wiggins, Secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, Capt. A. S. Hughson and Dr. Marcellus, of the Agricultural College, Guelph. As the Secretary of the Association pointed out, in making his report, besides the educational privileges enjoyed by its members, the town council and Chamber of Commerce in bringing trade to the town and protecting same in many ways where possible, there is not a merchant in Napanee who is not profited by the fair held by the Napanee Poultry Association. Besides public spirit, which should be in the minds of all who have the best interests of the town at heart would be a reason why every one doing business in Napanee, as well as all poultrymen, should lend support to this organiation. After a vote of thanks was moved and carried to the speaker of the evening., Dr. Marcellus, and the artists, the meeting dispersed with God Save the King.

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BAY CIRCUIT

Rev. R. J. Merriam, Pastor

Anderson Church : Sunday School, 10 a.m. ; Public Worship, 11 a.m.

Sand Hill Church : Public worship 2.30 p.m.

Greatstone Church: Public worship 7.30 p.m.

S. MARY MAGDALENE CHURCH

Services of S. Mary Magdalene Church :

Rev. J. H. H. Coleman, M. A., Vicar.

8.00—Holy Communion.
10.30—Morning prayer.
12.00—Sunday School.
7.00—Evening prayer.

The services will be conducted by Rev. C. Gray Eakins, M.A., Curate St. George's Cathedral.

Daily Lenten services at 8.30 a.m. and (except Wednesday) at 5 p.m. Wednesday, 7.30 p.m.

Many Poor Teas Now Sold.

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Board of Commerce.

Honorable John S. Martin, Minister of Agriculture, will speak at the meeting of the Napanee Chamber of Commerce, March 15th, in the Paisley House. Farmers are cordially invited to obtain a Membership Certificate from the Secretary, Mr. W. J. Wiggins. Lack of greater space will limit the attendance to members only.

Birthday Party.

On Friday evening, March 4th, about forty friends and neighbors gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Kirkpatrick, in honour of the anniversary of their birthdays, Mr. and Mrs. Kirkpatrick were taken completely by surprise. The evening was spent in contests, music, etc., which was thoroughly enjoyed by all. Mr. and Mrs. Kirkpatrick were the recipients of many beautiful presents, one of which was a bouquet of white carnations, presented by Mr. Stalker on behalf of the Sunday School class, of which they are members, wishing them many happy birthdays, together. This of course was a surprise, but Mr. and Mrs. Kirkpatrick expressed their appreciation in a few brief words. Luncheon was then served, and the main feature was the cutting of the birthday cake, which was prettily decorated with lighted candles, after which the party dispersed, wishing both many happy returns of the day.

Canada's Fruit Ahead.

Eat more Canadian fruit and vegetables. This is the slogan of the Markets division of the Fruit Branch at Ottawa. That it is sound advice all the doctors agree. Fruit and vegetable consumption means improved health, physically and mentally. For the more popular understanding and appreciation of this fundamental truth the branch carries on a vigorous campaign by lectures and demonstrations and by the issuing for free circulation of such publications as "Canadian Grown Apples," and "Fruits and Vegetables, Canning, Drying and Storing." Exhibits are also made at fairs at home and abroad. The Dominion Minister of Agriculture in his last report was enabled to make him the following gratifying statement : "Canadian apples obtained "Empire Validity Honors" at the Imperial Fruit Show last fall by capturing nine prize out of a possible ten, including the two silver challenge cups for the dessert and cooking classes, the former being won by British Columbia with Jonathan, and the latter by Ontario with A. I. Greening. Canada's sweeping victory gave splendid publicity to Candian-grown apples in the United Kingdom and should go a long way toward familiarizing the British consumer with our high-quality fruit and encouraging the buying of empire products."

The Day of Prayer.

For six years women have met for prayer and intercession on a day specially set apart and this year all over the world, in the Orient and Occident, an international and interdenominational hour of prayer was observed on Friday, March 4th. In Grace United Church over a hundred women representing the Mary Magdalene, Grace, Trinity and St. Andrew's churches met for praise and supplication. Prayers were offered for China, India, Japan, the Moslem world, other foreign fields and workers, the League of Nations and international relationships, for the young men and women of our land and home and national life. Miss Gandier gave a wonderfully uplifting address on Prayer. It is the natural universal instinct, and the door of prayer should be opened continuously, but we do not avail ourselves of the opportunity. It opens the way for God to do what He wants and thus releases opportunity for God to work by, for and through us. The nearest way to the heart of white or black, civilized or savage, is by way of the Throne of God, and strength, vision and peace are granted whether or not prayer is answered. Some one has said, "Who rises from his prayer a better man, his prayer is answered." General Gordon said, and Luther too, the busier he was, the more time was needed for prayer, Real prayer is the most intense act a man performs. Mrs. Hooper presided and others taking part were Miss Alma Thompson, Mrs. Reddick, Mrs. A. E. Paul, Mrs. Tanton, Mrs. J. B. Miller, Mrs. Coleman, Mrs. N. Bradshaw, Mrs. H. J. Bristol. Miss Rook, Mrs. Gilbride, Mrs. Laughland. The General Confession and Lord's Prayer in unison opened the service, and closed by Prayer of Thanksgiving.

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10.30 a.m.—Public Worship, Subject, "Message of the First Church to the Nation of Today."

5—"The Basis of Spiritual Prosperity."

11.30 a.m.—Church School and Bible Classes.

6.30—Organ recital.

7.00—Evening worship.

Subject : "If I Had Only One Sermon to Preach."

Monday, 7.30 p. m.—Young People's League.

Wednesday, 7.30—"An Hour of Bible Study."

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Complimented by many whose judgment we appriciate on the status of our business in the community, we are careful to hold the confidence of our friends. In our store on Tuesday, March 15th, at 2.30, Mr. Daffry, internationally known as an expert on "Interior Decoration," will demonstrate and lecture on the above subject. A rare opportunity. 15-ap

Bethany Ladies' Aid.

The Ladies' Aid of Bethany appointment, on the Bay Circuit, have arranged with the Bay Bay Young People to give their two plays in the Church on Friday evening, March 11th, at 8 o'clock. Besides the two plays there will be music by two artists from the Hayburn orchestra. Lots of good clean fun ; lots of laughter. Admission 35c. **Betany Church, Friday, March 11th, 8 p.m.** 15-a

Auction Sale.

M. W. Gallagher will sell for Mrs. Frink on Saturday, March 12th, at 2 o'clock, at the Market Square, Napanee, the following household goods :—Bell organ (Young People) ; dining room suite, 2 Walnut tables, 4 rockers, hall rack, 1 settee, base burner coal stove, kitchen range, coal oil heater, carpets, pictures, crockery, beds and bedding, and other utensils too numerous to mention.

Celebrates Eighty-first Birthday.

On Saturday last, Feb. 26th, Mr. Charles Lee, of Colebrooke, celebrated his eighty-first birthday. Mr. Lee is hale and hearty, with never a twinge of rheumatism, as most old people are. He is the seventh son of Nicholas and Margaret Lee, who lived to good old ages, but have now passed to the great beyond. Mr. Lee has lived in Colebrooke a number of years. He retired from farming some twelve years ago, when he sold his farm on the outskirts of Colebrooke to Edward Purcell. He then took up residence in the village, but being of an active and ambitious nature, he still continues to help where and when most needed.

THE THOUSAND ISLANDS.

Scene of Some of Campaigns In Four Great Conflicts.

The Thousand Islands, which extend from above Kingston to Brockville, a distance of over fifty miles, along the St. Lawrence river, are on the boundary line between Canada and the United States. The G.H.W. in the Toronto Globe, according to the Boundary Treaty made after the American War of Independence, a line ran down the mid-channel or main channel" of the St. Lawrence, but when the commissioners came to locate this line they found the channel in both narrow, deep and the southeast (the American) was the straightest from Clayton to Alexandria Bay, N.Y., and therefore proved to be the main channel at that point, as all the big passenger boats and [illegible] used to the Canadian channel, which runs down the north side of Wolfe Island, past Gananoque and Rockport. So the Boundary Commissioners gave Wolfe Island to Canada, because it was so close to Uncle Sam's main shipping channel, and, twenty-one miles long, in turn, was given to Canada.

At an early date the Thousand Island archipelago had been crossed upon the lovers of the grand and the beautiful, and for many centuries ago the French christened it "Les Mille Isles." The Count de Frontenac, the French governor of Canada, with a great flotilla passed through the Isles on July 10, 11 and 12, 1673, eventually landing at the Indian village of Cataraqui, now Kingston, where he built a fort.

The thousand islands have been the scene of some of the important campaigns in four great conflicts between nations. The first was the Indian war between the Algonquins and the Iroquois, which continued for years, with occasional interludes along the second struggle was between the French and the English, and some of the battles took place among these islands or in the neighboring shores. In the American Revolutionary War with England, and in that between the same countries in 1812-14, the defence of this locality was of decided importance, but its joint occupancy was eventually settled. Some of the most exciting incidents of the Patriots' War of 1837-38 took place among the Thousand Islands, notably the burning of the steamer Sir Robert Peel on Wellesley Island on the night of May 29, 1838.

New Variety of Wheat.

A new variety of wheat has been developed by Frank Lascombe, of Lisburn, Alberta. Its vital quality is its drought resistant strength. This new variety of grain has been registered at Ottawa as "Vermilion." In 1919 Mr. Larcombe discovered in his wheat crop a few heads that were obviously drought-resistant and that showed drought resistent quality. He kept the kernels; sewed them in 1920, and gradually built up 1,000 bushels. The wheat is also reported to be heavy yielding.

Rough on the Ratepayer.

Local rates, which were £71,000,000 for the whole of Britain in 1914-15, rose to exactly double this amount in 1924-25.

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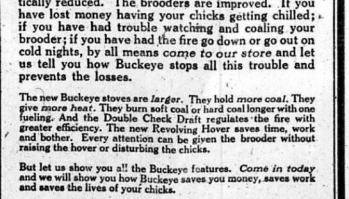

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ALMOST A LOVE STORY

By M. QUAD
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One day when little Miss May Fletcher was only four years old a neighbor of the family brought over a boy of about the same age. The two children had been playing together half an hour or so when the mother of the boy called out:

"Susan Fletcher, see there, will you! Your girl is trying to flirt with my boy!"

That was the beginning of Miss May's career. By the time she was ten or twelve years old and going to school she was breaking the hearts of the boy pupils. She was a handsome girl, and she had cute, coy ways about her.

When she was approaching her twentieth year her solemn faced father solemnly asked of her:

"May, do you know that this whole town of Tiptonville is talking about you?"

"No, father," was the reply. "What are they saying about me?"

"That you are a confirmed flirt and a coquette."

"Why, father, how you shock me!"

"Don't pretend such innocence," chided the father. "Let's go over your case a little. When Parson Brown came here, an unmarried man, two years ago, he seemed to take quite a shine to you."

"Yes, father."

"I have an idea that he asked you to be his wife."

"He did, father, but how was it? We were coming home from prayer meeting when he said that he loved me and wanted me to become his darling wife. Just as I got my mouth open to say yes a big hog, chased by a little dog, came running up on the sidewalk behind us. The hog struck Parson Brown in the legs, and he went sprawling. I tittered, I giggled, I snickered. How could I help it? Mr. Brown went off in a huff and in six months was married to Amanda Jones."

"But there was Charles Renfew," continued the father, with a smile around his mouth.

"Yes, I remember him, but it was not my fault that he quit coming here. I was expecting to be Mrs. Renfew some day, but he had not proposed yet. He came one night, and just as he started in to propose he gave an awful sneeze, and the false plate in his mouth, which I never suspected was there, flew out from under the table, and the cat scrambled for it. Father, I had to snicker or blow right out of the window! Poor Charles dove under the table for his plate, gave me one awful look and went through the front door."

There was a silence for two minutes, and then the father asked:

"But what about George Fox, who has been coming here quite often of late?"

"I don't know," was the reply. "I think he will ask me to marry him."

"And you'll refer and quell it all."

"Not if I can help it, father. George squints with both eyes every two or three minutes. It is a dreadfully funny squint."

George Fox was a young bachelor of twenty-five, who lived with his widowed mother. He was a farmer. He had admired and loved Miss May and meant to make her his wife, squint or no squint.

Three or four days after Mr. Fletcher had had the talk with his daughter, as recorded above, young Mr. Fox caught sight of the girl picking raspberries in his field. The sight gave him an idea. He waited to see if she would appear again next day. She did, and at the far end of the field he let down the fence and turned in his old bull and ram and gave them a whack as they passed through the gap. They were gentle creatures, but at the whack the bull emitted a bellow, and the ram shook his head in defiance, and by a freak of fortune both trotted among the bushes.

The girl who had broken so many hearts saw them approaching and after one scream started for a tree. Up she went until she was seated on a limb that she deemed was a safe roost, and it was only then that she saw Mr. Fox and called out to him to come to her rescue. Mr. Fox came along at a lazy pace, as if there was no special reason for hurry, and when he approached within thirty feet he took a seat on the fence, with his back to her and asked:

"Well, what's wanted?"

"I want to get down, of course," replied the girl up the tree.

"I am not hindering you."

"But the bull and the ram!"

"Oh, they haven't killed anybody lately!"

"George, you won't leave me here, will you? I may fall at any minute, and it will be awful the way I shall die."

"See here, girl, I love you and want you to be my wife," said George with his back still to her.

"Are you squinting now, George?"

"Yes, by thunder! I am squinting at the old bull and ram!"

"Keep it up, George, dear, until you get the critters out of this field. This evening you can come over and we will decide whether to go to Boston or Niagara Falls on our tour. Hurry up, dear, for this limb is a-cracking under me and will soon break."

And George, in spite of his funny squint became a hero and a husband, and they put in five days at the falls, and Tiptonville said it was a good match on both sides.

Ontario's Gold.

Ontario continues its progress as a gold producer with a record production for the eight months of 1926 of $20,750,000. This is the high water mark in the history of the yellow metal in the province. The Provincial Government estimates a total year's output of $32,000,000.

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BABIES AND SNAKES.

Behaviour of Various Animals When Shown a Snake.

Most animals are afraid of snakes. They imagine that the long forked tongue that is darted rapidly in and out is poisonous. But this is not so; it is the sharp fangs that inject the poison, the latter being contained in small glands at the base of the teeth. When the reptile bites, the poison travels instantly from the glands and through the teeth into the wound.

It is interesting to compare the behaviour of various animals when shown a snake. Some will take no notice, while others are filled with terror. As a rule, domesticated animals show little fear. For generations past these have been reared in what we might call luxury, and far away from the enemies that would prey upon them in a wild state. To these a snake is an unknown quantity, and therefore little fear is shown.

The domestic fowl will ignore any reptile, but a lapwing, curlew, or snipe will dash away from one as quickly as its wings will carry it. A parrot that has been kept in captivity for many years will show the greatest panic at the sight of a harmless grass snake.

Dangerous snakes in this country, says Oliver G. Pyke, F.Z.S., are so rare that cattle show no fear of them, but any foreign deer will be in a state of panic if a snake is placed near it. The elephant ignores the largest snakes, for he knows that his thick hide is a safe armor against their attacks. On the other hand, large mammals such as the lion and tiger will quickly run off from the presence of a snake.

Monkeys will never face snakes. Even those born in captivity show the wild alarm if one is placed near them.

Darwin once made an interesting experiment with monkeys and snakes. He was anxious to discover which was the stronger emotion, curiosity or fear? I recently saw a film in which the experiment was reproduced. It was taken in the London Zoo. A snake was placed in a basket with the lid closed, but not fastened. This was put in an enclosure in which there was a number of monkeys.

At first the basket was not noticed, then one and another of the inquisitive creatures approached it, and after a lot of hesitation the bravest slowly opened the lid. All peeped in, but when the monkeys saw what the basket contained the lid was instantly dropped, and all of them dashed off to the most distant corner of their compound. Take could not be induced to approach the basket again.

It was found that a baby chimpanzee born in the Zoo, and never having seen a snake before, was thoroughly scared when one was placed near it, while an infant orang-outang cried out in great alarm when it saw one for the first time.

We find that most of the wild animals, or their young, although the latter may be born in captivity, show fear of snakes. But when we try the experiment upon a human baby we see a remarkable contrast. The small human being will look upon the writhing creature as a plaything, and without the slightest hesitation will take it into his arms and allow it to twirl itself around his body!

QUEER HINDU RITE.

Each Mile They Prostrate Themselves One Thousand Times.

When Hindu pilgrims visit a sacred place they go around the spot by a continuous series of prostrations. They carry a stone in their hands and when they drop on the ground they stretch their arms out as far as possible and leave the stone on the ground so as to measure their length.

Then they arise, walk the six or seven feet to the stone, and pick it up. Again they prostrate themselves, leave the stone, arise, and so on until they have returned to the starting point.

Many of the circuits are more than three miles in length, and it requires an entire day to make the whole trip.

Each mile usually requires one thousand prostrations, and when a devotee has dropped three thousand times he is so nearly dead that he rolls over in the dirt to the side of the road and rests there until the next day.

Amazing New York.

Mr. Stephen Graham, the famous traveller and author, has just returned to the Old Country from the United States, where he had been investigating Prohibition, says Tit-Bits. Some of his experiences are most amusing.

He met a Negro policeman in New York driving a magnificent high-powered car. To his astonishment, he was told that the car was the man's own property and that he used it regularly in his police work.

"But how," asked Mr. Graham, "could he buy a car like that?" He was told that it was really a present from the "secret" drinking-saloons which this particular policeman had under his protection!

Mr. Graham says drinks can be had anywhere in New York. He was in one saloon, also "secret," when "Police!" was signalled. The place was darkened and the customers went out by a back door. "Open again in half an hour!" announced the bartender as they left.

A Young Man of The Name of Mors

By BYLAND BELL.

The stagecoach drew up in front of a tavern in New Mexico. A young man with light hair and a mild blue eye alighted and was going into the house when a man with a red blotted face covered with a stubble beard stopped him and said:

"You're the puriest boy we ever seen in these parts, and them clothes air jist too beautiful for an angel. Come in and have a drink."

"Thank you. I've never touched a drop of liquor in my life."

"Well, it's time you begun. Come on."

He took the young man by the arm. The youngster resisted and struck the ruffian in the face. There was a report, and the youngster fell.

Two weeks after that the man with the red face and stubble beard was standing on the tavern porch when the daily coach drove up at the same time of day that the blue eyed boy had arrived. The door opened, and the same boy got out. He was very pale, but he had the same light hair and blue eyes as the other. The man with the red beard gave back a step or two as though he had seen a ghost.

"I'm looking," said the new arrival in a voice that seemed to come from the tomb, "for a man called Hawkins. Can any of you gentlemen tell me where I can find him?"

The stranger's attention was directed to the man with the red beard.

"Would you like to have me drink with you, sir?" asked the newcomer.

Hawkins seemed tongue tied. A pallor stood on his usually red face, and he was trembling.

"I don't feel like a drink jist now," he said.

"Perhaps you would like a game. My name is Mors. It's a name taken from a dead language. I've come to this country for the man who killed another two weeks ago because he wouldn't drink with him. Either Mors or Hawkins must cease to live. Cards are an easier way of settling the matter than guns. Come; let's have a game of euchre."

Taking Hawkins by the arm, he led him into the barroom. Hawkins seemed bereft of the power to resist and seated himself at the same table with the stranger. A pack of cards was produced, and Mors fixed them for euchre, mixed them, cut them and dealt a hand for himself and the man before him. Hawkins took up his cards mechanically, but did not see them. His eye was fixed on the man who had come back from the dead, he doubted not, to drag him down into the grave.

"The best three in five wins," said the stranger.

The first game he won, for Hawkins played without giving any attention to the game. The second Hawkins made an attempt to pull himself together, but did not succeed. The stranger won again. In the third game Hawkins played his cards without looking at them. He lost.

Mors deliberately pulled a pistol from his pocket, keeping his eye on the other, and as deliberately pointed it at Hawkins, who seemed paralyzed, making no effort whatever to draw his weapon. The stranger, keeping his eye fixed on him, said:

"You've played a game with death and lost. My twin brother came out to this country to locate here, and you killed him. I was told that there was no law in this country except gun law, so I came out to get the man that murdered my brother. I didn't see any use in a gun fight, when we could settle the matter by a game. Hands up!"

The last two words were spoken at seeing in Hawkins' eye a change. The murderer had been in doubt whether he was not talking to the ghost of the man he had killed till he learned that he was flesh and blood. His eye indicated that he had remained some of his equanimity, and he was about to put up a fight. The avenger saw it, and his own eye indicated that at the slightest motion to draw his weapon he would be shot. He sat immovable.

"Gentlemen," said the stranger, "I would much prefer that you would relieve me of a disagreeable duty. I was very ill when the news of my brother's death reached me and have not yet recovered. Don't you think that your town would be well rid of this fiend and that as respectable citizens it is up to you to do what is not a fit task for a sick man? Say the word. Shall I shoot him, or will you take him out and swing him?"

A man standing behind Hawkins, who had suffered from him, but feared him, jerked Hawkins' gun from his hip, then said to the dozen men standing about:

"Gents, will you let this sick boy do what it has long been our duty to do? This desperado has killed five men in four months, and for no good reason. Come on."

The speaker pinioned Hawkins' arms to his side; the others sprang forward, and the murderer was hustled out, the crowd assisting or following.

"Give me a brace," said the man who had called himself Death, and when liquor was set before him he drank it off and, setting down the glass, said:

"That's the first liquor that has ever passed down my throat, and it will be the last. I needed it."

When the crowd returned they thanked the stranger for having accomplished what they had never dared to do themselves.

An Exception to the Rule.

It was an arduous task for the teacher to drum into her youthful pupils the principles of arithmetic.

"Now, listen," she said. "In order to subtract, things have to be in the same denomination. This is what I mean: Now you couldn't take three apples from four peaches, nor eight marbles from eight buttons. It must be three apples from four apples, and so on. Do you understand?"

The majority seemed to grasp the idea. One perky little youngster in the rear, however, raised a timid hand.

"Please, ma'am," he enquired, "couldn't you take three quarts of milk from two cows?"

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Canadian and American regions tributary to the Great Lakes produced, for the ten years preceding 1924, 23.5 per cent. of the entire world's crops of wheat, oats, barley, corn and rye, says the Toronto Globe. Three-quarters of the grain which moves to the seaboard by water routes is of Canadian production. The dominating grain ports are at Port Arthur and Port William, Ont.—twin cities, four miles apart, where grain from the interior is transhipped from rail to vessel. The great ore port is Duluth-Superior, from which the famous bulk freighters, most efficient of the world's cargo-carrying vessels, take nearly 40,000,000 tons a year to ports on the lower lakes, near which steel mills are situated, or from which they can be reached by a short railroad haul (Conneaut, O., is the principal receiving port on Lake Erie). As the vessels which bring down ore and grain carry back coal, a balanced system of transportation is created.

The average stay of a vessel in port, receiving and discharging a cargo on a single trip is as small as twenty-three to thirty-five hours, depending upon various conditions. In 1921 the steamer D. G. Kerr loaded a complete cargo of iron ore, 12,508 gross tons, in sixteen and a half minutes. This cargo was unloaded at Conneaut, O., in three hours and five minutes. This record appears, however, to have been made under test conditions, and the average is considerably greater. At Port Arthur a steamer loaded 355,000 bushels of grain in five hours. The motor ship has appeared on the lakes, two of the largest vessels being the motor-driven pair (length, 612 feet; beam, 62 feet), owned by the Ford Company.

Some idea of the importance of preserving the full navigable depths of the Great Lakes — in so far as depths can be preserved by protecting the lakes against diversions of water — is derived from the computation that a decrease of one foot in the loading draft of vessels means an operating loss of $7,000,000 annually, and a reduction in transportation capacity of from 7,000,000 to 9,000,000 tons. It is believed that the lakes are now passing through a natural low-water cycle. This natural decrease of water makes it more than ever imperative that diversions for domestic or sanitary purposes, or for navigation or power purposes, beyond the natural watersheds of the lake system, should be restrained.

Pictures of tonnage are not always luminous, but Mr. Hoover recently indicated that the commerce of the Great Lakes was equal to the entire national commerce of all but three nations of the earth. The principal port on the lakes, rated according to the tonnage of receipts and shipments, is Duluth-Superior. The next port in importance is Buffalo. Chicago is not even among the first ten, although it leads by an overwhelming margin in passenger traffic.

Production of Coal.

The average annual production of coal in Canada amounts to about 14,000,000 tons, having a value of $54,000,000. The chief coal producing provinces are Alberta, Nova Scotia and British Columbia.

Salaries of Governors.

Salaries paid to the governors of British Dominions range from $50,000 a year, paid in Canada, Australia, South Africa, and Newfoundland, to $13,000, paid in Tasmania.

The Message

By LOUIS TRACY

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The Deputy Governor stroked his chin. He was a kindly-hearted man, and circumstances had prepared him for that question.

"It is hard to say," he answered. "Assuming he reaches Timbuktu in safety, he can follow the course of the Upper Niger, through what is known as the Dahomey hinterland, until he arrives at Ilo, the first town in the British sphere of influence in that direction. There, by the sea, at this season, the river is navigable. If he makes for Lagos—having been ordered here in the first instance—he might strike overland from Jebba to the rail-head at Ibadan, but if he sticks to the river and goes to his own headquarters, by remaining here you should obtain telegraphic information of his arrival at a town called Lokoja, situate at the junction of the Niger and the Benue."

He paused. His brief review conveyed no hint to his hearer of the tremendous difficulties any man must overcome ere he reached the comparative civilization of the telegraph, and he flinched from the task of enlightening him.

"Is it quite certain," he asked, "that Captain Warden went ashore at Ibadat?"

The astonishment in Evelyn's face was almost sufficient answer.

"Unless every one in some Government department in London has gone mad, it is quite certain," she cried. "Did not an officer from Nigeria go to meet him at Cape Coast Castle, and is it not certain that he went to Hassan's Tower to obtain the ruby I have told you of!"

The calmness failed. He had effectually distracted her thoughts from the far more embarrassing topic of Warden's chances of reaching Nigeria alive.

"One learns to distrust circumstantial evidence, Miss Dane. Have you learned that the passengers on the Water Witch was known as Mr. Alfred Williams? Yes? Well, we do not know Captain Warden. We have no means here of identifying the baggage landed by the captain of the Water Witch when he reported the Rahat incident. Could you recognize any of Captain Warden's belongings?"

"No," said Evelyn blankly, "that is, I fear not."

"You mentioned a gourd. I have not seen the thing myself, but one of my assistants says that the most remarkable object of that nature was found in one of the missing man's boxes."

"Oh, I should know that anywhere," and she shuddered at the recollection of the evil face whose appearance framed so strikingly the chronicler with the stormy events of her recent life.

"Well, have you any objection to examining the gourd now? I ask for the sudden article you picked up in the Solent, it goes far to prove that Captain Warden did really take passage on board the Water Witch."

"I cannot imagine how you can think otherwise," she declared. "Of course it was he!"

"There is no harm in making sure," he said, having already decided to entrust to his wife the trying duty of making known to the unfortunate girl the fact of certain fact that her lover was long since dead.

The calabash was brought, and taken from its canvas wrapper. Oddly enough, mildew had formed on its bright lacquer, and the sheen of the moonlit eyes was dulled. It had lost some of its artistic power, and was far from being the terrifying creation that scared her so badly when first she saw it on the deck of the Nancy.

"Yes, that is it," she said. "You see, this crown is really a lid, and the place vellum, or parchment, was hidden inside. It is not there now, yet it is more than likely that Captain Warden kept them both together."

The servant who had procured the calabash was sent back to search for the tattooed skin, and returned with it, and the Deputy Governor examined the two curios with manifest interest.

"It is not native work," he said. "I have never seen anything just like it, even in museums at home."

Moved by an impulse which she could never afterwards explain, Evelyn asked if both the gourd and the parchment might be given to her.

"They really mean nothing, explained sadly. "Captain Warden asked me to accept the carved head, as it was I who discovered it, but I was afraid of it then. Now, I would be pleased to have it in my possession. It brought us together in the first instance. Perhaps it may do the same thing a second time."

"Nigeria is the home of the ju-ju—may the fetish prove a lucky one!" said the official gravely. "Take it, by all means, Miss Dane, but let no native see it, or you will attract a motorist that I am sure you would dislike. Meanwhile, I shall telegraph to Old Calabar asking for news, though I should certainly have heard if Warden had turned up already."

That same afternoon the Deputy Governor's wife called on Evelyn, and invited her to come and stay at her house, saying that she would find residence in a private family vastly preferable to the hotel in which she had passed the previous night. For fully three weeks she lived with this most friendly and hospitable lady. By degrees, as they became more intimate, her acquaintance with and the threads of the unusual story in which the girl figured so prominently. Similarly, as Evelyn gained more knowledge of African affairs, she could not help but discover that it would be nothing less than a miracle if Harding ever reached Nigeria. The difficulties facing even a well-equipped expedition were so great on the desert route that all but the most energetic explorers shrank from them. How, then, could one white man, accompanied by a solitary Hausa, hope to overcome them? The Deputy Governor scouted the idea that Warden could raise a caravan at Bel Abbas. He was dubious about the incidents reported from Jebba, but he made no secret of the utter improbability that Warden would have the means or buying camels and hiring men for

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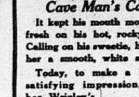

After Every Meal Chew You!

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the dangerous journey outlined by Captain Mortimer. And, to complete Evelyn's misery, the Southern Nigeria administration sent the most positive assurances that Warden had not been heard of in the up-river districts.

She learnt incidentally that Mrs. Laing had gone to Lokoja in a river steamer. Her hostess believed that Rosamund had found out the latest version of Warden's adventures, and cherished a faint hope that even yet she might forestall Evelyn. No small consideration would take her so far into the interior, especially as the journey was both risky and useless.

"But that need not trouble you at all, my dear," said her outspoken friend. "If Captain Warden lives, you can rest assured that my husband will hear of him long before Mrs. Laing. I am afraid that if news comes at all, it will reach us in the form of a native runner that a white man died of fever away up there beyond the hills. It is always fever—never a word about a box or a quantity of powdered glass mixed with a man's food. The natives are loyal enough to each other in that respect. Even when they know the truth, it is almost impossible to get them to tell it."

So now it was death, and not life, that was talked of, and Evelyn lived on in dry-eyed misery until Fairholme hinted one day that she ought to return home, as the climate was beginning to affect her health.

There were not lacking indications that the merry-minded little poor had quickly reconciled himself to the loss of Mrs. Laing. He was the most popular man in Lagos, and he hardly ever visited Evelyn that he did not assure her he was "havin' a giddy time with the dear girls." Yet she knew that he was only waiting until the fate of Warden's escape from the desert must be abandoned. When that hour came, and she was free to return to Europe for England, Fairholme would ask her to marry him.

The belief became an obsession. To get away from it, to escape the wholly adrift from painful associations, she offered her help to an American Baptist missionary and his wife who were about to leave Benue. They tried to dissuade her, pointing out the hardships and positive dangers of the journey, and the tremendous nature of the nursing, teaching, and doctoring that constituted the lot of a medical missionary in West Africa. Evelyn, they presented, stipulating that she should give her new career a six months trial.

Fairholme protested, and stormed and was only prevented from proposing on the spot by Evelyn's decided statement that no matter what the future might decide, she would not be happy unless she had visited the little-known land to which her lover had given the best years of his life.

The reference to Warden effectually sealed his lips. He hastened to the Club, asked a man to dine with him, drank the larger part of a bottle of champagne, mournfully and informed his friend that he had never enjoyed a more unsatisfactory meal. Then he departed in search of the tawny river murmuring in so low a note that it was inaudible from the verandah-chair in which Evelyn was beating had a depressing, almost a sinister, effect. It jarred on the nerves. It suggested the unseen, and therefore the horrible. At all events, they must find out what it signified.

Bambuk was summoned. He was even more distraught than during the fetish performance of two hours earlier.

"Dem Oku drum play Custom mean—"

"Do you savvy what they are saying?" broke in Hume sharply. He did not imagine that his wife discussed the habits of native potentates with her youthful helper, and knew that she herself did not know the full extent of the excesses, the sheer lust of bloodshed, hidden under a harmless-sounding word.

"Savvy plenty. Dem drum made of monkey-skin — p'raps other kind of skin, an' dem ju-ju man say 'Come, come! Make sharp dem knife! Come! Dem get dem gun! Come, den, come! Dem ribber (river) run red wid blood!' Den dey nail some men to tree an' make dance."

The missionary did not check his assistant's recital. It was best that the women should at least understand the danger in which they were placed. The compound held not more than fifty able-bodied males, and the only arms they possessed were native weapons. Hume's influence depended wholly on his skill in treating the ailments of the people and his patience in soothing their children not only the rudiments of English but the simpler forms of handicraft. His experience as an African missioner was not of long standing, but from the outset he had consistently refused to own any fire-arm more deadly than a shot-gun. Hitherto he had regarded the Upper Benue region as a settled and fairly prosperous one, and his cherished day-dream was that before he died he might see the pioneer settlement at Kadana transmuted into a well-equipped college and training school, whence Christianity and science might spread their light throughout that part of Africa. It shocked him now to think that all his work might be submerged under a wave of fanaticism, yet he clung to the hope that the warlike preparations of the men of Oku might mean nothing more serious than a tribal quarrel. This had happened once before, and he stepped in as arbitrator, and after the presentation of presents, including the whole of the mission stock of wine and brandy, he sent away both parties highly gratified with both his award and his method of arriving at it.

"There are war-drums beating in more than one place," said Evelyn, who was listening in silence to the spasmodic tap-tap, tap-tap-tap, tap, that voiced the dirge translated by Bambuk.

"Ah, you have hit on my unspoken thought," cried Hume. "Come, now, Bambuk, are you not changing your story somewhat? Two chiefs make war-palaver; isn't that the explanation?"

"Dem Oku drum," repeated the native, "all Oku drum. Dey call for Custom to-night."

"What exactly is Custom, Charles?" asked Mrs. Hume.

"Unfortunately, it means in this instance an offering of human sacrifice."

He saw no help for it. They must know sooner or later, and his soul revolted sick at the thought of his wife and the gentle girl who had thrown in her lot with theirs, failing into the clutches of the fetish-maddened Kabahans. Each minute he grew more assured that some unusual movement was taking place among the surrounding tribes. Even to his untutored ear there was a marked similarity in the drumming, and he determined that the two women should go down the river in the steam-launch as soon as the moon rose. A crew of eight men could take them to the nearest consulatory post, and within twenty-four hours a steam launch would bring back an armed body of Hausas officered by an Englishman. Till then, he would trust in Providence for the safety of the people under his care. That he himself should desert the mission never entered his mind. Not only would the settlement break up in direct confusion the moment his back was turned, but the Society's houses and stores would be looted and destroyed, and the work of years swept away in a single night.

He was considering what excuse would serve to get the women on board the canoe, when the splash of paddles close at hand stirred all four to sudden excitement. It was Bambuk who read instantly the meaning of this unexpected sound. He rushed out yelling at the top of his voice down the veneer of civilization can wear off. A West African negro. Soon he came back, looking sick with fear.

"Dem dam pagan nigger make off in dem canoe," he almost screamed. "Dey savvy plenty too much bushman ting. We all be killed one-time."

Even Evelyn, new to the country and its ways, realized what this meant. They were their own lives highway. There were native tracks in plenty through the dense forest, but to march along any one of them while a hostile force was tying across every path was to court immediate disaster. By running away from a peril which was only passive as yet, they made it active. On the river they might escape; in the bush they could not travel a mile except on native sufferance.

Hume tried tersely to minimize the force of this unlooked-for blow. It was true the fugitives might be expected to carry the alarm to the hostile part. But the fact that during night it was quite impossible for succor to reach Kadana. And now they must all stand or fall by the mission.

"I did not think any of our men would be such cowards," he said with quiet scorn. "Let us get after the others. When all is said and done, we have harmed no one in Oku territory, but given relief to many who were in pain. I still believe that the scare is unwarranted, and our presence among our people will tend to calm them."

A minute later he was sorry he had not gone alone. Every hut in the compound was empty. Nearly two hundred men, women and children had fled into the bush, preferring to obey the order of the ju-ju man rather than defy him by remaining in the mission. Bambuk alone had been taken into their confidence because he was originally a Foulah Mohammedan. The colony at Kadana was peopled with Kabahans who had cast its members in his rage, for the Mohammedan negro looks down upon his "pagan" brethren with supreme contempt. Only in a crisis such as that which now threatened to engulf the mission, these nice distinctions of class and creed gave up to spring into startling prominence.

Hume faced the situation gallantly.

"Another illusion shattered," he sighed. "Most certainly I did not expect that all my people would desert me at the first hint of danger. But we must not let them get it. Even now I cannot believe that the King of Oku—if it is really he who has created this disturbance—would contemplate an attack on Europeans. He has many faults, but he is not a fool, and he knows quite well how swift and severe would be the punishment if he interfered with us."

Mrs. Hume accepted her husband's views, and tried to look at matters with the same optimism. But she, curiously enough, was better informed than even their native companion as to the serious nature of the outbreak. She was convinced that Warden's theory was correct. Some stronger influence than a mere tribal eqeute lay behind these horrible drum-beats. The authorities had been completely hoodwinked. In her heart of hearts she feared that Kadana should be the deadly peril that recurred with many a stronger trading-post and station down the river.

Bambuk, quieting down from his earlier paroxysms of fear, seemed to await his certain doom with a dignified fatalism. Even when he heard the thud of paddles on the far-flung waters of the river he announced the fact laconically.

"Bushman lib!" he muttered.

Perhaps the white faces blanched somewhat, and hearts beat a trifle faster, but Hume alone spoke.

"Where?" he asked.

"On ribber—in dem war canoe."

They strained their ears, and soon caught the measured splashing. Then Mrs. Hume began to weep. Evelyn knelt by her side in mute sympathy. She was too dazed to feel relief to tears. For the moment she seemed to be passing through a torturing dream from which she would soon wake. Hume, who had gone to the door, came to his wife.

"Don't cry, Mary," he said. "That does no good—and it hurts me in my heart. I have not abandoned hope. God can save us even yet. Be not afraid of them that kill the body, and after that was have no more that they can do."

His voice was strong and self-reliant. Even Bambuk glanced at him with a kind of awe, and thought it may be, that the creed he had tried dimly to understand was nobler than the narrow religion of his own natural outcome of his own fantastic beliefs. The negro was stupid with terror, or he could not have failed to distinguish the steady hum of an engine running at half-speed.

And so they waited, while the thud of the paddles drew nearer, until at last the bow of a heavy craft crashed into the foliage overhanging the bank, and there were rapid into a heaven of relief by hearing an English voice.

"Hello, there!" "It shouted. "Is this the Kadana Mission?"

Mrs. Hume straightway fainted, but Evelyn was there to tend to her, and Hume rushed down to the landing-place. The gleam of a moon rising over some low hills was beginning to make luminous the river mist. He could see a large boat, the difference between the pith hats of two Europeans and the smart round caps of a number of Hausa policemen. But though a man of peace, he found the glint of rifle barrels singularly comforting.

"Who are you?" he asked.

"Well," said he who had spoken in the first instance, "I am Lieut. Colville of the Constabulary, but I have been sent by the Earl of Fairholme. Have you a lady named Dane, Miss Evelyn Dane, staying with you?"

Hume, who wanted to fall on his knees and offer thanks to Providence, managed to say that Evelyn Dane was certainly at Kadana at that moment.

"Ah, that's the ticket!" said another voice. "I suppose you can put us up for the night? Any sort of shake-down will do, so long as we get away from this beastly river. Sleepin' on board gives one the jimjams, eh, what?"

To be Continued.

CHAPTER XV.

Wherein One Surprise Begets Many.

Colville leaped ashore. Without appearing to know he was quickly by Hume's side and asking in an undertone—

"Why has this war-drumming started. I heard it an hour ago down the river. Our temper has not running well, so the men got the paddles to work and we cracked on at top speed."

"I do not know," said the missionary, who was more anxious at the moment to reassure the women than to answer questions.

"What! Is there bush fighting going on? Everything was reported to be all right when I left Ibi."

"Mr. Colville," he continued that you were prompted to visit us! My wife, Miss Dane, our interpreter and myself—four out of two hundred—alone remain in the mission. Some of our people stole the canoe and made off, and every other native in the compound has gone to the bush. When we heard your paddles just now we thought that the war canoes of the King of Oku were approaching to attack us. Our temper has not been running well, so the men got the paddles to work and we cracked on at top speed."

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"But look here

New Issue.

$4,250,000

Canadian Department Stores, Limited

First and Refunding Mortgage Income Gold Bonds

7% Series "A"

To be dated: March 1st, 1927. **To mature: March 1st, 1947.**

Principal and interest payable in Canadian gold coin of the present standard of weight and fineness at the offices of the Montreal Trust Company in Toronto. Interest cumulative at the rate of 7% per annum from March 1st, 1927. First year's interest payable March 1st, 1928; thereafter payable March 1st and September 1st in each year. Interest and sinking fund to be paid exclusively out of available Net Income as defined in the Trust Indenture. Redeemable as a whole or in part on any interest date on 60 days' notice at 105 and accrued interest. Free from Dominion, Provincial and Municipal normal taxes ordinarily withheld at the source. Fully registered bonds in denominations of $1,000,$500 and $100.

MONTREAL TRUST COMPANY, TRUSTEE.

Approximately $2,700,000 of these Series "A" bonds are being purchased by former owners of the constituent companies, and are being taken in payment for their properties.

CAPITALIZATION

(Upon completion of consolidation and financing in connection therewith)

	Authorized	To Be Outstanding
First Mortgage 6½% Bonds	$ 2,500,000	$2,500,000
First and Refunding Mortgage Income Gold Bonds. 7% Series "A" (this issue)	*10,000,000	4,250,000
7% Preferred Stock	4,000,000	1,500,000
Common Stock (no par value)	250,000 shares	250,000 shares

*Additional First and Refunding Mortgage Income Gold Bonds may be issued in series under the conservative restrictions of the Trust Indenture, which provides that future Bonds may be issued only for refunding purposes and for the acquisition of additional stores up to 60% of their appraised value.

Mr. G. H. Rennie, President, and who is to be General Manager of the Company, summarizes from his letter to us as follows:

Company: Canadian Department Stores, Limited, has been incorporated for the purpose of effecting a consolidation of 21 department stores operating in the principal cities of the Province of Ontario and one store operating in Montreal. The individual stores have been established and in successful operation for a period averaging more than 44 years, and in the majority of cases are the leading merchandising institutions in their respective communities. The population of the Province of Ontario represents approximately one-third of the entire population of the Dominion. The Province absorbs more than 46% of the merchandise distributed in Canada, and contains over 36% of the total homes in the country. The territory served by the stores to be owned by the Company embraces more than 50% of the population of the Province.

Security: The First and Refunding Mortgage Income Gold Bonds will be secured, in the opinion of counsel, by a direct first mortgage on the fixed assets of the Ottawa store and all the other fixed assets of the Company now owned or hereafter acquired, subject only to $2,500,000 First Mortgage 6½% Bonds to be presently outstanding.

A consolidated balance sheet of the amalgamating stores as of December 31, 1926, as certified by Neff, Robertson & Co., chartered accountants, after giving effect to the consolidation and the financing in connection therewith, and including fixed assets, as appraised by Canadian Appraisal Company, Limited, shows net tangible assets of approximately $8,672,000. The Company covenants that it will pay no dividends on its capital stock while any of these bonds are outstanding, if such payment will reduce its net current assets below $2,000,000.

Earnings: Net earnings, as certified by Neff, Robertson & Co., available for interest on these Series "A" bonds for the ten years ended December 31, 1925, after deducting all operating expenses and annual interest requirements of the First Mortgage Bonds to be presently outstanding, but before deducting depreciation and certain non-recurring charges, have averaged $558,551 annually, or nearly twice the annual interest requirements of this issue. In no year of the above period have such net earnings been less than the combined annual interest requirements of the First Mortgage and First and Refunding Mortgage Income Gold Bonds to be presently outstanding.

It is expected that centralized buying of merchandise from large manufacturers and economies to be effected through consolidated operation will result in a substantial increase in net earnings from even the present volume of gross business. Based upon specific assurances from many manufacturers and wholesalers and a careful survey of possible operating economies, it is estimated that the net earnings available for bond interest for the first full year of consolidated operation will be in excess of $1,000,000, or more than three times the interest requirements on these Series "A" Bonds.

Purpose of Issue: The Series "A" bonds are being issued in part to the former owners of the constituent companies in payment for their properties and in part for cash to provide funds for the retirement of constituent company indebtedness, working capital and other corporate purposes.

Sinking Fund: A sinking fund, starting March 1st, 1930, payable out of available net income after paying all interest on these Bonds, equivalent annually to 2% of the largest amount of Series "A" bonds ever outstanding, is designed to retire bonds through purchase at or below 105 and accumulated interest or through call by lot at that price. In addition to this regular sinking fund, it is provided in the Trust Indenture that after the payment in any one year of dividends of $250,000 on the Common Stock an amount equivalent to 20% of any further Common dividends paid in that year will be set aside and used as an additional sinking fund for the retirement of bonds of this issue.

Management: The management of the Company will be under the direct supervision of Mr. G. H. Rennie, President, and who is to be General Manager, and who for the past several years has been Assistant General Manager of Robert Simpson Company, Limited, of Toronto. Mr. Rennie's executive staff and the Board of Directors will be composed largely of men previously associated with the successful operation of the various constituent companies.

These bonds are offered when, as and if issued and received by us; subject to the approval of all legal details by Messrs. Hearst, Mills & Hearst for the Company and Messrs. Osler, Hoskin & Harcourt of Toronto for the Trustee. Delivery will be made in the form of temporary bonds or interim receipts on or about March 15, 1927.

Price: 100, to Yield 7%

There will be delivered with each $1,000 bond of this issue 5 shares of the no par value Common Stock of the Company.

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LAUGHS FROM IRELAND

STEPHEN GWYNN'S MANY AMUSING STORIES.

Tells How Quick-Witted Priest Answered Gladstone — Wells and Yeats Unsympathetic — Grandfather Hung, Drawn and Quartered.

Gladstone once invited a number of prominent men to breakfast with him, among them being an Irish priest, noted for his quick wit. After breakfast Gladstone began declaiming about the doctrine of indulgences, the Roman Catholic belief that forgiveness of sins can be purchased by donations to the church. He turned to the priest and, with eyes flashing, said, "I saw with my own eyes in a church at Verona a notice offering to remit forty thousand years in purgatory for the sum of two hundred lire. Now—what do you say to that?" The priest was in a fix, for all eyes were upon him. Then, in a flash, he replied, "It's a fair offer, and I don't know where you'd go to do better."

This story is told by Mr. Stephen Gwynn in his entertaining "Experiences of a Literary Man." Mr. Gwynn, as a man of letters and Irish politician, has many amusing stories to relate.

On one occasion Mr. Gwynn happened to be discussing science with H. G. Wells, and mentioned the name of W. B. Yeats, the Irish poet. "Ineffantly Mr. Wells crinkled up his nose, as a dog does at sight or sound of another whose odor and associations are unsympathetic. 'Yeats,' he said. 'Yeats doesn't like science.'

"I did not discuss the contemptuous tone or what it implied, but went my way, and, having found Yeats, mentioned from whom I came. Allowing for the difference of nose, Yeats made precisely the same instinctive wrinkling movement. Wells,' he said. 'That man has a mind like a sewing-machine.'"

Mr. Gwynn was very friendly with Stephen Phillips, the clever and tragic poet and dramatist. Phillips, although his dramas were always of a distinctly "highbrow" order and dealt with themes remote from the interests of everyday life, could always find some odd companion, and often landed himself in amusing situations. Once he was accosted by an ex-member of Scotland Yard, who, when he learned that Phillips was a playwright, proposed to provide him with material for a play. Noticing that Phillips seemed rather doubtful, he added, "It would not be my first collaboration, sir. Me and Nat Gould has done a good deal together."

The chance to play policeman in good earnest once came to Phillips. He was lodging in Brighton and sat late reading in his sitting-room, when the door opened and a man entered in stealthy "highbrow" order and looked at each other and the intruder was asked what he wanted.

"I'm a burglar," was his simple answer. Phillips found the simplicity disarming. He suggested that an overcoat—the only spoil collected—should be put down, and when this was done he saw the stranger—meekly preceding him—to the door, and ushered him into the street. The plan he adopted was probably the safest in the circumstances, when he told the story, which got into print, he was much laughed at.

Phillips had a strong sense of humor which at times took the form of friendly thrusts. Mr. Gwynn relates a conversation between him and the late Sir Herbert Tree. Tree, who had produced one of Phillips' plays, complained to its author about the multitude of occupations and distractions which besieged him, as an excuse for the fact that his acting was not as good as it might have been. He had, he complained, so many letters to write, so many people to interview, so many engagements to keep.

"Ah," said Phillips, seeing his chance at last, "but think of the rest you get while you are on the stage."

During an election in Galway, Mr. Gwynn was asked to produce an election address. He thought he could manage that, and wrote a few lines which seemed to cover the ground. But the committee looked disappointed. "Is that all?" they said.

"What more do you want?" Mr. Gwynn asked. "I've said I ask their votes because I'm chosen candidate of the United Irish League Convention; I have the support of the National Party; and I'm the grandson of Smith O'Brien, who was sentenced to death in 1848."

"But," said one, "we thought he was sentenced to be hanged and drawn and quarrthered."

"So he was," said Mr. Gwynn.

"Begorrah!" said they, "and you leave out that!"

When some friends of Mr. Gwynn's were constructing a tennis court the foreman of the workmen was a little monkey-faced Irishman called Brady and he was full of tricks. Once while Mr. Gwynn was watching the work Brady strolled up behind one of the laborers, slipped something into his tail pocket, winked at the onlookers and strolled away. In a minute there was a puff of smoke and a howl: it had been one of the detonators used in blasting.

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The Distillers Company of Canada, Limited, is a branch of the D. C. L. group in Great Britain, which has a paid-up capital of $125,000,000. The Distillers Co., Ltd., is said to control 80 to 90 per cent. of the entire manufacture in Great Britain of potable spirits in the shape of whiskies, gins, etc. The Canadian concern will have its headquarters in Toronto.

The Largest Motor-Liner.

Measuring 703 feet long, the largest motor-liner was recently launched at Belfast for the Italian line, its tonnage is 32,000, with a speed of 22 knots.

Here and There

Of the 226,000,000 acres of land sown to produce the 1926-27 wheat crop of the world, Canada sowed about 10 per cent.

Alberta, formerly 100 per cent. straight wheat farming country, has changed radically in this respect in the last fifteen years. The wheat yield of 1926 represented only 45 per cent. of the value of the agricultural products, which totaled $264,000,000 for the year, the greatest in the history of the province.

The flow of settlers into western Canada for 1927 commenced in earnest recently when two special Canadian Pacific trains brought more than 400 persons into Winnipeg. About 200 of the new arrivals were destined for Manitoba; 100 to Saskatchewan, while Alberta and British Columbia absorbed the rest about equally.

The value of building and construction contracts awarded in Canada in 1926 was $372,947,000, compared with $297,973,000 in 1925, an increase of 25 per cent. Last year's total was the highest for several years. Development in the mining, power and paper industries in Canada was an important factor contributing to the activity in building during the past year.

When the Canadian Pacific steamship Montrose docked recently at New York, after completing her first cruise to the West Indies of the year, she resembled a floating menagerie, for there were assembled on board over 200 love birds, parrots and monkeys. These pets were bought by passengers on the cruise. During the month's cruise the vessel touched at fourteen ocean ports and visited thirteen countries.

Sweeping reduction in the rates of electricity to all sorts of consumers has been announced by a leading electrical company in New Brunswick. The new rates are being filed with the New Brunswick Board of Public Utilities. Under the new schedule of rates the householder will be able to secure electricity for as low as 3 cents a kilowatt hour, the same rates applying to stores and offices.

Good seed cars, under the joint directors of the Manitoba Department of Agriculture, the Dominion Seed Branch and the Manitoba Agricultural College, in conjunction with the Canadian Pacific Railway, are touring the province. The train consists of a lecture car, a baggage car with types of all modern farming mills and other machines; a horticultural car which is the first to be operated in Canada. Lectures and demonstrations are given at each stop.

Emile St. Goddard, youthful Manitoba dog musher from The Pas, carried off the honors in the Eastern International 120-mile dog derby at Quebec recently. St. Gcddard's time for the three-day race was 11 hours and 37 minutes, over 54 minutes faster than the previous record for the same event. He nosed out Leonhard Seppala, hero of the Nome, Alaska, serum epic by 20 minutes and 20 seconds. George Chevrette took third place, while "Paddy" Nolan, 15-year-old musher, maintained fourth place throughout the race.

Peking, China.—Over 400 passengers aboard the Canadian Pacific Empress of Scotland, now on a tour of the world, the largest number of foreigners, except the military, ever to invade the city, were admitted recently to the Forbidden City for the first time since the young Emperor of China evacuated it, when he was driven out to Tientsin, two years ago. The Manchuria War Lord Marshal Chang Tso Lin accorded safe conduct to the party and every courtesy was shown to the visitors in their tour through a city which so far has been rigorously shut off from intercourse with the western world.

The Prairie Provinces.

The population of the Prairie Provinces in 1926 was 2,067,602, according to the census taken in that year. This compares with 1,698,137 in 1916, and 808,646 in 1906. In the twenty year period Manitoba has increased its inhabitants from 365,688 to 639,056; Saskatchewan from 257,763 to 821,042, and Alberta from 185,195 to 607,584.

U. S. Mill Closes.

The International Paper Co. has closed their mill at Hawkesville, New Hampshire, and many of the employes transferred to the new mill at Gatineau, near Ottawa, raising the daily output to about 8,500 tons, as against the present 7,350 tons.

A New Edition.

Containing 400,000 words, a new edition of the Oxford Dictionary is to appear next year. Twelve people have been constantly at work on the edition since it was started in 1882, and before it is issued $250,000 will have been spent on it during the 46 years of preparation.

Babel Up-to-Date.

In Palestine the official languages are English, Arabic, and Hebrew; but French, Greek, Spanish, German, Rumanic and Italian are also met with to certain extents.

Brown Paint From Mummies.

Before mummies were regarded as objects of value for museums, many were pulverized and turned into a brown paint.

The Stroke Oar

By WILLARD BLAKEMAN

A number of young men, mostly collegians, were sitting in a group on the forward deck of a North river steamer. They were going up to Poughkeepsie to a boat race of college crews on the Hudson. An elderly man sat near them listening to their talk and enjoying the exuberance of youth which came bubbling out of them. Presently he drew his chair near them and said:

"Your talk takes me back a good many years. I pulled in the race of 186— between Harvard and Yale, a race never to be forgotten by me on account of a curious culmination connected with it."

"What was that, sir?"

The man hesitated. Presently he said: "I'll give it to you, but understand that I don't put any interpretation on it.

"I was at Harvard the year I have mentioned. Yale had beaten us for several years. We had lost several consecutive races, and this year we were especially anxious to break up the run of ill success and get some encouragement into our supporters by winning a race. Those who could go back in college affairs said that there had been no success since Wilkins had been captain of the crew and stroke at the same time. We hadn't the coaches in those days you boys have now and were largely dependent upon some single member of the crew.

"I was captain of that crew of 186— and made it up myself. I expected to give the stroke, but a couple of months before the race was taken ill and when the race was about to come off had not sufficiently recovered to row at all. I had a hard time to find a man to take my place in the crew, and as for getting one who could give the stroke and carry the crew to a possible success—it was impossible.

"The evening before the regatta I was sitting in my room at the — House alone and feeling very blue when there came a tap at my door. I said, 'Come in!' and a young man entered who was one of the most striking fellows in appearance I ever saw. He was very finely dressed, and the muscles stood out all over him. The only thing against him for strength was that he was very pale.

"'Going to get licked tomorrow?' he said.

"'I suppose so. Who are you?'

"'I'm a Harvard man. I reckon I'll have to help you out. Can you use me?'

"I asked him a lot of questions about what class he was in, what course he was taking, when he had entered, when he would graduate, and could get nothing definite out of him. He said that he was an expert oarsman and if I would put him on the crew and any one after the race attempted to prove that he had no right to be there it would be time enough to be more explicit. The college needed a victory, and after a victory it would pluck up.

"I fully agreed with him as to the necessity of a victory and arranged with him to be at the boathouse at the boat was about to be put into the water. He was there, all right, and when in rowing togs his frame was a sight to behold. I've never seen better biceps in my life. When the crew entered the boat he took the stroke.

"What a sweep he gave that one of his! It seemed a feather in his hands. And his stroke was so perfect that though there was not a man behind him who had ever been in a boat with him before, there was no difficulty in all of them keeping perfect time with him.

"The boat shot out into the middle of the river, where the faces of the crew were not very plain to those on shore, and I was glad of it, for I had my doubts about my stroke's right to be there. The boats lined up and made a start at the first signal to go.

"There was a noticeable difference between the work of the two crews. Now and again some Yale man would send up the spray, but not a man in the Harvard boat struck a cupful of water on the recover. It was all in the leadership of the stroke.

"Our fellows took the lead from the first and kept it around the stake boat and won the race by a good hundred yards. It was the prettiest won race I ever saw. When I got to the boathouse men had crowded in the boat. I looked around for my stroke, but didn't see him. One of the crew said he had just gone up the bank. I followed, but he was nowhere to be seen.

"It would take a lot of time to tell you what was said about the introduction at the last moment of a new and unknown man. There was much adverse criticism, and it fell principally on me. One thing I heard started me. Several persons who had known Wilkins when he was if college declared that my stroke was he. I wondered if he had come back and got into the crew without letting me or any one know and he was doing what was his right to do. I learned where Wilkins lived and wrote a line to him asking if he would kindly tell me where he was on the day of the regatta. What do you suppose was the reply? His father wrote me that he had been very ill for some time and died the evening before the race.

"Now, young gentlemen, I don't wish any comments on my story. I have none to make myself. I have simply given it to you as, according to my senses, it occurred. I may have dreamed it."

Greatest Seaport of the World.

Notwithstanding its many and growing rivals, London continues to be the greatest seaport of the world. During the year 1926 ships entered London port having a total tonnage of 24,717,054 tons, and ships cleared having a total tonnage of 22,347,920 tons. The ocean trade of the port that year had a value of over $3,700,000,000.

Oil Plant at Fort Churchill.

A modern plant for extracting oil from whales has been established at Fort Churchill, Ont.

"LOST IN THE POST."

Most of the Missing Letters Have Never Been Posted.

Were I given to wagering, says a British Post Office official, I should be prepared to stake every penny of my savings that out of every thousand letters "lost in the post" not more than fifteen really come in that category.

In "lost in the post" I include those that are undelivered and not handed back, any that a dishonest sorter or postman may have annexed, and those—very few indeed—genuinely "lost." A postman, collecting or delivering, has been known to let letters slip unnoticed to the ground.

What, then, of the balance of the thousand? Some have been written and stamped and not only not posted, but never taken out of the house. Weeks, and sometimes months, afterwards they are found in "blotters," stationery cases, books, pockets of clothes that haven't been worn for some time, and so on.

Then letters are dropped by the 100,000. Some get muddied and become street sweepings; others are picked up, opened, and destroyed; of the rest, some are posted or given to the postman.

Honest folk are always posting the letters that careless people take out to post, but drop. When seven odd letters are dropped outside one pillar-box in a single day, how many are dropped—dark night, haste, carelessness—in a year outside all the thousands of boxes?

A builder, re-flooring the hall of an old house, brought thirty-six letters, cards, etc., to the Post Office! They had slithered through an opened joint. I myself one morning saw a gentleman come out of his house with the morning's post in his hand. He glanced at the envelopes, put them in his inside pocket, and let two drop.

It's not the Post Office that loses letters. The public lose them for themselves.

A Return From Oblivion

By WILLIAM CHANDLER

It is not an unending occurrence for two youngsters who are chums to agree that if possible the one who dies first will appear in the spirit to the other. I don't think such agreements are as apt to be made now as formerly, for belief in the reappearance of those who have died is not what it was when I was young. Scientists have taken up the matter, but the laity don't feel much interest in it.

I made one of these agreements with Dick Atherton when we were eighteen years old. Dick became a sailor, and on one of his voyages the vessel he sailed in was wrecked, and all on board were lost. At any rate, if any of them escaped death he was never heard from. I took to the water, too, but not in the same line as Dick. I began on river work and eventually came to own and run a steamer that I usually laid up in winter, but ran as an excursion boat in summer.

One season I had contracted to take a party of excursionists out of Boston harbor around Cape Ann. For several days before our sailing everything went wrong. The government inspector took it into his head to find fault with a lot of things which he required me to improve, and I knew that if I didn't attend to them myself I wouldn't be ready to keep my contract for the excursion. The consequence was that I got no sleep for two nights and a day before we left Boston.

I had several hundred persons aboard and, rounding Cape Ann, preferred to rely on myself rather than on any one else. I was passing Thatcher's light when I began to feel so drowsy that I feared to fall asleep, notwithstanding the fact that the lives of so many human beings were dependent on my keeping awake. I was tired, too, and when I had a chance I sat down at one I sat down on the seat behind the wheel, reaching forward to take it whenever required. This I should not have done. A man may go to sleep on his feet, but he is much more liable to do so while sitting.

Slumber got me, though, at last. I must have slept quite awhile. Suddenly I awoke, frightened out of my wits, for I knew what it was to go to sleep at the wheel. There was a man standing between me and it, turning it rapidly. Whether he was really busy or not I couldn't say. He certainly looked so through my sleepy eyes. I tried to wake myself enough to get up and take the wheel from him, but somehow, considering that he was there, I couldn't do it.

"Go to sleep, Tom," he said. "You're not in fit condition for a pilot."

Whether I was not entirely awake, whether I was dreaming, I couldn't make out, but the voice was certainly Dick Atherton's. Then I dreamed that I said to him:

"Dick, have you come back to keep your promise when we were youngsters?"

"I've come back to keep you from running full headway against Folly point," was the reply.

I have said that I dreamed this, because that's the way it seemed to me. What it really was might be another matter.

I woke up again later, looked ahead and saw that there was clear sailing. Thompson, one of my steersmen, was at the wheel.

"Great heavens!" I exclaimed. "Can it be that I've been asleep?"

"Reckon you have, sir."

"How long have you been at the wheel?"

"About ten minutes. I happened to look ahead, and the boat was heading for Folly point. I ran up here to see what was up and found you asleep and a man at the wheel who was sheering off. He gave me the wheel and left the pilothouse."

"A man?"

"Yes, sir, he was a man. Why do you think he was anything else?"

"What did he look like?"

"I didn't notice him very particularly. I was too much upset by the narrow escape. But I remember that his hair was red."

Dick Atherton's hair was red. When he was a boy we called him Reddy.

So horrified was I at my narrow escape from sacrificing a boatload of excursionists that I had scarcely time to wonder about Atherton or his ghost. I asked Thompson if he felt sure he could attend to the wheel safely, and when he replied that he could I told him that I would go below and rest a bit, for I was completely knocked out by what had occurred. Leaving the pilothouse, I walked aft through the crowd of excursionists—they were ignorant of the frightful doom that had escaped—and was about to go down the stern companionway when I felt a hand on my shoulder. Turning, there stood Dick Atherton. He was ten years older than when I had last seen him, but I recognized him at once. He was looking mighty serious. Putting a finger to his lips, he said: "Don't get broken up over it, old man. But I had to do something to prevent me at the wheel know about it."

Dick then briefly explained. He had escaped the wreck of his vessel and spent a year in the east coast of Japan. Seeing that he had been an advertisement of the excursion on my boat, my name being mentioned as master. He had come aboard without making himself known and had come up to the pilothouse by surprise me, but instead it was I who had surprised him.

Canada's Wheat for Old Country.

Canada has got to be the source of supply of wheat for the Old Country for some time to come, according to Sir Herbert Matthews, secretary of the Central Chamber of British agriculture. He could see very little prospect of Russian wheat again being largely consumed in the Old Country and with the uncertainty of supply from India, together with the fact that people in such countries as India, China and Japan were steadily consuming more wheat products, it was his opinion that Canada is likely to be looked to more and more as Britain's chief source of supply of wheat.

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The first degree team of Argyll Lodge I.O.O.F., have an invitation to visit Odessa Lodge on Wednesday, March 16th.

Mr. Harry Pringle, Clarksville road, has added a Mammoth Buckeye Incubator to his egg hatchery in order to take care of the increasing business offered him.

Napanee Radio fans will no doubt be pleased to hear Ferdinand Rockwell and his choir from Jackson, Mich., who will broadcast on Sunday at 4.30 from WREO, Lansing, Mich.

The members of Napanee Chapter, Eastern Star, held a jolly sleighing party on Tuesday evening of last week, to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Taverner, River Road, where the party were royally entertained.

The annual Provincial Convention of the Ontario Prohibition Union will be held in Massey Hall Toronto, on Wednesday, March 16, 1927. There will be three sessions, morning, afternoon and evening. The Executive will meet on Tuesday for final consideration of policy and business to be presented to the Convention.

A. J. IRWIN, W. W. PECK,
President. Secretary.

A large crowd of hockey enthusiasts were at the rink on Thursday evening, when the Kingston intermediate O. H. A. team defeated the locals by the score of 3-1. This was the second game which these two teams have played this winter, the visitors winning on both occasions. Both teams were evenly matched, the visitors securing the breaks, which are inevitable in every game.

Two exhibition basketball games were staged in the gymnasium of the Collegiate Institute on Thursday evening, the contesting teams being the town team vs. Belleville Y.M.C.A. and the town girls vs. Belleville girls. The visitors were successful in both games and also won out in the volley ball game between a team representing the Collegiate and the business men of Belleville. The visitors were entertained at the conclusion of the games.

Shibley Boyes, interesting young pianist, of Los Angeles, started concertizing at the age of 4 with a brilliant success in Munich. Supplementing her concert appearance with a programme at the American Embassy, being asked to play before the social and musical elect of Munich, she has succeeded in establishing an enviable reputation in that center of German culture, and is now on her way to appear in Copenhagen, Paris, and The Hague. She will return to the United States in the Spring.—Los Angeles Times.

Many people in Napanee and throughout Canada learned with interest this week of the engagement of Principal Bruce Taylor, of Queen's University, to Miss Muriel Bray. The bride-elect is the second daughter of Mr. Arthur Bray and the late Mrs. Bray, of Hastings, England. She was educated in Bussey and St. Andrew's University, where she obtained the degree of L.L.A. She came to Canada in 1915, and after spending several years as a teacher at Bishop Strachan's School, she took up literary work in New York in connection with the Book of Knowledge.

Before a crowd which packed every available space in the local arena, Deseronto defeated Oshawa Friday night by the score of 6-3. Not only were hundreds of Napanee fans present to watch the interesting struggle, but a large contingent numbering over 200 were present from Deseronto. The result of the game is a tie on the round, which will necessitate a third game. Home and home games were arranged, but as Deseronto has no artificial rink, it was decided to stage the game in Napanee. In the first game played in Oshawa on Tuesday night, Deseronto were defeated by 6-3, which left the team quite a handicap.

"Fear not—I am He that liveth and was dead; and behold I am alive for evermore." Rev. 1- 17, 18; "My son, hear the instruction of thy father and forsake not the law of thy mother," Prov. 1-8; "In my distress I cried unto the Lrd, and He heard me." Ps. 120-1; "My son, if sinners entice thee, consent thou not," Prov. 1-10; "Light is sown for the righteous and gladness for the upright in heart." Ps. 97-11; "The Lord is night unto all.....in truth." He will fulfil the desire of them that fear Him," Ps. 145-18, 19; "Righteousness exalteth a nation, but sin is a reproach to any people." Prov. 14-34.

Direct, control, suggest this day All I may think, or do, or say; That all my powers, with all their might,
In Thy sole glory may unite.
A BIBLE LOVER.

Britain's Latest Daily.

The birth of a new daily newspaper is an event, and even those who do not buy a copy "to see what it's like" usually can't help knowing that it has appeared. The usual order of things is reversed, however, in the case of Britain's latest daily. Few members of the general public have even heard of it, and those who have can't buy a copy, however much they would like to.

Other features of the new daily are that it contains no advertisements, and is not bothered with publicity-hunters who want to see their names in print. Those people who figure in its news would, indeed, much prefer not to be mentioned. For the name of this journal is the Police Gazette, and it contains descriptions of persons wanted and similar information designed to aid the police in their war against crime.

The Police Gazette, which was formerly published thrice weekly, is printed and published at New Scotland Yard and circulated among the police forces throughout Britain.

Canada's Increasing Prosperity.

Sir Joseph Flavelle, addressing the annual meeting of the National Trust Co., said that signs of increasing prosperity in Canada were unmistakable. "It is now generally recognized," he remarked, "that while Canada still has important problems which await solution, she has largely overcome the economic and financial difficulties which set up shortly after the close of the war. We are once more sailing under clearer skies and in calmer waters. The outlook is encouraging and hopeful."

PERSONALS

(All our readers are cordially invited to hand in, or send in, any news they may have for this column).

Mrs. E. Burritt is the the guest of Mrs. J. W. Robinson.

Mr. Jas. Laughland spent last week in Montreal.

Mrs. Frank Bell spent last week in Toronto.

Mrs. John Thompson is the guest of Mrs. N. Fellows, East street.

Mrs. Young is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Somerville, Marlbank.

Mrs. Alice Wheeler, Akron, O., is the guest of her sister, Mrs. P. J. Norman.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Smith were in Toronto a few days last week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Rockwell, of Detroit, Mich., are guests of Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Boyes.

Master Robert Wilson has secured a position in the staff of the Royal Bank.

Mr. James T. Wheeler, of 16 Bedford Road, Schenectady, N.Y., is visiting his brother, Mr. John Wheeler, Napanee.

Dr. F. N. Marcellus, Guelph, was the guest of Capt. A. S. Hughson, "The Hill" while in town.

Mr. F. Jas. Roblin was in Montreal a few days last week.

Mr. Sterling Mason, Albert College, Belleville, spent over the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Fred LaSalle, Graham street.

Mr. and Mrs. Robt. J. Solmes are visiting their son, Mr. Fenwick Solmes, Toronto.

Mrs. Carrie Douglas and little granddaughter, Peggy, Kingston, are guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Roller.

Miss Helen Herrington, New York, Mrs. T. D. Sneath, Boston, and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Herrington, Kingston, are home attending the funeral of Mrs. Herrington.

MARRIAGES

Hoare—Kinsman—On Thursday, March 3rd, 1927, by Rev. Stanley Greenslade, B.A., Nettie Jacqueline, daughter of Mrs. Mary and the late W. H. Kinsman, of Port Hope, to Rev. A. Hoare, B.A., of Strathcona.

DEATHS

Herrington—In Napanee, on Sunday, March 6th, 1927, Mary Tilley, beloved wife of Walter S. Herrington, K.C.

Stone—At North Fredericksburgh, on Monday, March 7th, 1927, Alfred E. Stone, aged 88 years, 4 months.

BRITAIN'S PENSIONS.

Countless Human Interest Stories Lie In Pensions' Report.

During the year 1926 a sum of nearly £67,000,000 was paid out by the Ministry of Pensions. Since its establishment Britain has spent £665,000,000, a far larger amount than has been expended in this way by any other country engaged in the war. At present no fewer than 1,794,400 pensioners are still being paid to officers, men, nurses, war widows, and children.

Fresh applications during the year numbered 45,558, but only 13,978 of these were admitted. Claims are still pouring into the tune of at least 800 a week.

The figures show that the cost of administration was £2,396,274, or 8½d. in every pound.

One section of the report, which has just been published, deal with the re-marriage of war widows. During the past year 500 women, who lost their husbands in the war, were married again and so ceased to be eligible for pensions.

A large sum of money was spent on surgical apparatus. Over 10,000 new artificial legs were issued, bringing the total of these to over 100,000. Artificial eyes distributed amounted to 1,160, and nearly 5,000 glass eyes were supplied. Surgical boots totalled 18,388 pairs, while 20,433 pairs were repaired. To men and women completely crippled by wounds and the hardships of active service, 148 hand-propelled tricycles and 170 invalid chairs were issued.

Behind the cold figures and facts of the Ministry of Pensions' report there must lie thousands of human interest stories. Every pension given is an acknowledgment of service to King and country, of heroism and suffering on the battlefield, for which no money could adequately pay.

Generous Car King.

When he started his remarkable career as a supplier of transport for British travellers, Mr. W. R. Morris, Britain's car king, had not more than ten bicycles on his one-man-show. He began as a struggling apprentice by making bicycles for his friends. Now he controls ten companies, all connected with producing his popular automobiles. Not very many years ago his staff consisted of five men. To-day it numbers 9,000, and he turns out 1,400 cars a week.

The result of this astounding success in the face of tremendous difficulties is that Mr. Morris is now a rich man. But his business for its own sake is his care; he is really very little interested in the amount of money it is bringing him, so he quietly gives a large share of it away. The other day he gave $500,000 to a hospital.

He and Mrs. Morris live in a modest house next door to the car works at Cowley.

Canadian Investors Increased.

Canadian investors have increased in numbers since the war, according to Financial Service, and are now said to hold $1,946,000,000 of Dominion Government bonds out of a total of about $2,482,000,000. Provincial and Municipal bonds held in Canada run to about $957,000,000, making a total of $2,903,000,000; the interest on which amount periodically increase the buying and investing power of the Canadian public.

Salmon Fishing In Hudson Bay?

The development of the salmon fishing industry in the waters of Hudson Bay is reported a possibility of the near future.

The Tides of Fashion for Spring

Choose Your Easter Requirements Early

ROBINSON'S

Our Register Reveals Many Smart New Arrivals in Spring Coats

The new Coats are in—and they are really most attractive looking garments—they're so fresh and Spring-like in color and ornamentation. The creative genius of Fashion has given an exhilarating new turn to the simple straight-line Silhouette that has so long dominated the coat mode. New collar and sleeve treatments, strappings, tuckings, cordings, insets add much spice and great variety to the Spring Coat modes. Then, too fur plays an important role when it comes to ornamentation. It is applied in so many interesting ways—frequently it is used to merely edge the collar or again it may be used lavishly to bedeck a coat from collar to hem. Linings in better garments are of Silk Crepe and are generally in matching tones.

MATERIALS

Silk and Satin will make coats for formal wear. Poiret Twill, Wool Faille and Tricotine will be the choice for those who want style and service. While Tweed fabrics will be chosen for motoring and sports-wear.

COLORS

Navy Blue and Black top the list of colors. Several lighter blues, such as Queen Blue, Veronica and Hydrangea, are extremely fashionable. The wood shades are thought as well of as ever, while tones of Grey, Green and Rosewood are very important.

CHOOSING

Selections are now at their best. We have more now on the racks than we will have at any one time again this year. We invite your inspection. Coats selected now will be kept for you free of charge until Easter.

Purchased under the most favorable conditions, we are permitted to quote, unusually low prices.

The Newest Frocks use Elusive Lines to Lead to Chic Simplicity

Stylists have created many features for the Frocks this season that make them both captivating and exclusive

Curved lines, straight lines and slanting lines all lead to chic simplicity. The clever thing about this turn of the mode is, that none of these intricate cuttings give a feeling of elaboration, or interfere with the effect of the unbroken contour from neckline to hem-line. Several of the smartest Frocks come in two-piece effects. Others are "yoked" and several are all "tied-up" in bows and knots. Jacket effects are fascinatingly youthful. Bloused bodices are seen above moulded hiplines, while pleatings and draperies subscribe to the new feeling of fulness sponsored by so many leading designers.

DETAILS MAKE DISTINCTION IN THE MODE TO-DAY.

Pleating, tucking, fagotting, shirring, seaming, stitching—these are the things that "make" many a frock and exemplify fashion's mania for detail.

SOFT MATERIALS

Georgettes, Flat Crepes, Canton Crepes, Celanese Silk and Satin Crepes give the newest frocks added fashion prestige

THE SPRINGTIME COLOR COMBINATIONS

Use two or more shades of one color for contrast—rose shading through sand tones to beige—pearl grey combined with two shades of rose—several tones of blue—of sand and the favored combination of black or navy with flesh.

We invite you to see the new Frocks of Springtime as they are displayed in our Dress Department.

A Leading Value in Black Duchess Satin

36 inches wide, $1.39 per yard

Black Satin promises to be popular this season. In fact Black is to be among the leaders.

This 36 inch satin is of good weight, has a rich gloss, smooth texture and will give good service. Being bought at a special price, you are promised good value for the money.

A new value in Double Warp Fugi Silk

36 inches wide, $1.75 yard

We read that white will be in great demand in various fabrics this season. For real good service, Fugi Silk cannot be equalled. We have just placed in stock a new value in double double Silk Fugi, 36 in. wide, clean looking, firm in weight and a real good buy at $1.75 per yard. Please note that this is the heavy weight in Fugi Silk.

Brighten Your Spring Costume with a Scarf

Scarfs make important accessories to the mode and are exceedingly fashionable this season. The new ones are bright, colorful and gay, they possess the very breath of Spring freshness.

They are featured in Crepes, invariably Georgette, but quite as frequently they are shown in Crepe-de-chene. And in such colorings—beautifully toned in all self, in contrasting or in harmonizing effects.

The values, you get so much effect for so little money. We purchased ours on a quantity basis and secured excellent prices.

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New Windsor Ties and Belts

Windsor Ties are one of the accessories that are always fashionable. The new ties come in striking patterns, floral, plaid and stripes on silk or crepe-de-chene. Sand, Blue, Orange and White back ground, with stripe of Navy and floral pattern, all silk. Price 75c. each.

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Plain Silk Crepe Ties in shades of White, Crabapple, Orange, Grey, Golden Wheat, Orchid, Nile, Red. Price 50c. each.

Belts are worn with dresses and coats, varying in widths from one to two and half inches.

Sport Belts are the very newest, plaid and stripe patterns in belting with buckle. Price 25c., 39c. each.

Suede Belts in Grey and Brown, 1½ inches in width, suede covered buckle, price 75c. each.

Algator Leather Belts in Sand and Grey shades, 1¼ inches wide, fancy gilt and silver buckles, 75c. each.

Alligator Leather Belts in Sand and Grey shades, 1¼ wide, 35c. each.

A Good Little Hat is the Smart Thing in Spring Millinery

In boxing it is generally conceded that the good big man has the advantage over the good little man.

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